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## Mississippi Baptists Are Payers Of Bonds And Not Pledgers Only

BAPTISTS PAY \$106,000 IN BONDS



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—and Education Commission of the Mississippi State Baptist Convention held its annual meeting in the offices of Rev. D. A. ("Scotchie") McCall, Tuesday, calling in at this meeting \$100,000 in bonds for June 1, 1942. Members are shown here canvassing some of the \$106,000 worth of bonds which were paid up in December. Members of the committee are (left to right): Dr. W. A. Hewitt, Jackson; Rev. R. D. Pearson, Macon; Dr. J. D. Ray, Starkville; E. D. Hurst, Laurel; Rev. D. A. ("Scotchie") McCall, executive secretary, Miss. Baptist Convention; Rev. Walton E. Lee, Como; John D. Davis, newly re-elected president of the board, Greenville; and Rev. G. C. Hodge, Biloxi.

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### MINUTES of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of THE CONVENTION BOARD Jan. 13, 1942

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Baptist Convention Board was held in Jackson in the office of Secretary D. A. McCall, on this day following a meeting of the Education Commission. Present: The same as in the Education Commission (all members present).

The following matters were considered and action taken.

#### (1) Motion on Receipts—

The following motion made by J. D. Ray and seconded by W. A. Hewitt, relative to receipts was adopted unanimously:

#### Resolution

We note with deep gratitude the gain in contributions to all of our work in the amount of over \$16,000 for December, and the gain of \$13,436.13 to all causes the first fourteen days of this month.

We urge a continued generous support on the part of all our people to all the causes through the Cooperative Program, as well as designations.

(2) On motion of J. D. Ray and seconded by R. D. Pearson, Secretary McCall is authorized to purchase additional carloads of paper on which to print The Baptist Record.

(3) The requests for help on church buildings were considered.

(4) The requests for help on pastoral support

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### BOARD MEMBERS PLEASED

The members of the Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board are manifestly pleased as they look over many of the cancelled bonds in the December, 1941, call. Two members of the Committee, Drs. Mark Lowry and J. B. Parker, came in soon after the picture was made.

"The taking up of \$106,400 in Education Commission bonds is one of the most significant accomplishment in Mississippi Baptist history," said one prominent Baptist leader.

In authorizing the calling of another \$100,000 group of bonds June 1, 1942, the Executive Committee manifested the spirit of courage and faith. That should prove a stimulating challenge to our 280,000 Mississippi Baptists. Many of these have had worthy part in this program. Many others have no part as yet.

It will take a great concerted, vigorous, loyal, loving effort on the part of thousands of our Baptist folk to reach that \$100,000 June goal.

It can be done! Will you do your part?

#### THE BAPTIST HOUR

Sunday, January 25, 7:30 o'clock to 8:00 o'clock a. m. Message by Dr. Theo F. Adams, over Radio Stations WSLI, Jackson; WREC, Memphis; KWKH, Shreveport, and many others.  
Subject: "The Home of Tomorrow."

### MINUTES of the EDUCATION COMMISSION of the MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD

A meeting of the Education Commission of the Convention Board was held in the office of Secretary McCall in this city on this day, opening at 2 o'clock p. m.

Present: J. D. Davis, W. A. Hewitt, E. D. Hurst, G. C. Hodge, W. E. Lee, Mark Lowry, J. B. Parker, R. D. Pearson and J. D. Ray.

President Davis called the meeting to order and R. D. Pearson led in prayer.

This being the first meeting of the recently elected Committee and of the New Year, an organization was effected by electing the following officers: J. D. Davis, President; J. D. Ray, Vice-President, and Walton E. Lee, Recording Secretary.

The presence of three new members, viz.: G. C. Hodge, Mark Lowry and J. B. Parker, is noted and they are welcomed.

The following matters brought to the attention of the Commission by Secretary McCall were considered and action taken:

#### (1) Refinancing bonds:

On motion of W. A. Hewitt, and seconded by J. D. Ray, the following motion relative to the refinancing of the Denominational Bonds was unanimously adopted:

#### Motion

Having reviewed correspondence relative to refinancing our bonded indebtedness, we, your Education Commission,

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## Sparks and Splinters

The Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood will be interested to know of the continued blessings of the Lord upon my work at Riverside. Our budget for 1942 is \$5,000.00 larger than the 1941 budget. It is already over-subscribed 15 percent and the work of contacting the members is not finished. We entered the New Year with hope and faith and courage.—B. C. Land, pastor, Riverside Church.

We moved on our new field January 1st, composed of Silver Creek, Mt. Zion and Balachitto. All in Pike County. I hope to be more active in all of our denominational causes than ever before. Pray for me in this new field and come and visit with us. I am going to ask the churches to put on the E. F. plan soon.—J. E. McCraw, Magnolia, Route 4.

A woman in a bomb-proof shelter in London is reported to have said, "Why does not God stop this awful war?" And a friend replied, "God did not start this awful war; men started it, maybe they will have to stop it." Yes, men start war, and wonder why God does not do something about it. He does do something and will do more, when we turn to His way of life, keep His commandments, and make Christ King.

First Church, Shreveport, Louisiana, had 69 for baptism in 1941 and 304 by letter.

Rev. C. A. Voyles, former Mississippian, now pastor of Park Street Church, Greenville, Texas, is rejoicing over the fact that his church led the association in baptisms for the past year.

Dr. Edgar Godbold, for 12 years superintendent of missions of the Missouri Baptist General Association, resigned to accept the presidency of the Louisiana Baptist College, Pineville, La.

The West Point saints had the privilege of hearing Dr. P. I. Lipsey preach morning and evening, January 18.

Mrs. H. M. Harris, missionary temporarily stationed at Clinton, Miss., has been on a speaking tour in Louisiana. She was accompanied by Mrs. J. D. Cheatham, district leader.

One hundred percent—If President Roosevelt had called together a group of the wisest men in America and assigned them the task of uniting all races, all nationalities and all creeds in total war against Japan and finally against the European Axis, they could not have worked out a perfect formula. But the Japanese statesman, Tojo, used a formula that solidified American public approval and support one hundred percent against him and his associates when he sent his air and sea forces against Honolulu and Pearl Harbor on December 7. Despite the training and education that many Japanese statesmen, professional and business men received in American colleges and universities, they seem not to have learned that our easy-going, peaceful people would be welded into one by the fires of war, nor did they learn that a "haughty spirit goeth before a fall." Our people are one hundred percent for total war against dictators.—Christian Index.

The Baptist Standard of Texas has the largest circulation of any Baptist paper in the south. It has a larger circulation than *Charity and Children*. It is also one of the very best of our Southern Baptist papers and it is printed on newsprint and thus there is a saving of more than one-half the cost of the sort of paper most of our denominational papers use. We tell in another paragraph of the statement of the *Religious Herald* of Virginia that that splendid paper will be printed on newsprint hereafter. Another one of our very finest papers is the *Alabama Baptist* which is also printed on newsprint. We pass the idea along to the management of the *Biblical Recorder*.—*Charity and Children*.

A free-will Christmas offering of \$2,000 in cash was made by the Senatobia Church toward the church building fund, the amount being placed on the plates with no sort of special pressure, and later contributions have increased the amount to \$2,150.

Legal liquor was to be a good thing for Tennessee according to the wets. BUT a recent report of Attorney General Gerber of Memphis, Tenn., shows 120 more cases of drunken driving in 1941 than 1940.

WANTED: Names of pastors serving same church for 20 years or more.—Editor, Baptist Record.

Last year Drew Baptists gave \$7,243.31 in tithes and offerings. Of this amount \$2,364.69 was given to the Cooperative Program and other denominational objects. The church basement was completely remodeled under the able leadership of the former pastor, Dr. H. E. Spell. We have no debt except to love one another and the world, and the future is as bright as the promises of God.—W. S. Hardin.

On Sunday morning, January 4, 1942, Mrs. Nettie H. Bookter of McComb, Miss., died at McComb Infirmary following a brief illness of pneumonia. On the same morning a daughter, Mrs. Rosa Lee Kelly of Baton Rouge, La., died unexpectedly of a heart attack in a New Orleans hospital. Joint funeral services were held at Denham Springs, La., on Jan. 5th and burial of both near there. They were mother and sister of Rev. Fred B. Bookter, pastor of Central Baptist Church, McComb, Miss.

The January meeting of Northwest Mississippi Pastors' Conference was held January 13th at Sardis with Pastor J. B. Middleton as host and President A. T. Cinnamon of Senatobia presiding. The attendance was not large but the program was one of the best ever presented before the conference, the special features being expositions of I John, chapters 4 and 5, by Brethren Harry A. Borah of Courtland and William O. Beatty of Coldwater and helpful addresses on "Sanctification" and "The Work of the Holy Spirit" by Brethren J. R. G. Hewlett of Charleston and F. M. Purser of Oxford. Others taking part in the discussions were Brethren L. J. Crumby and J. H. Sherman of Coffeeville, E. L. Byrd of Holly Springs, J. L. Courson of Taylor, E. R. Henderson of Grenada and H. L. Martin of Senatobia. The next meeting will be held April 14th at Sardis.—H. L. Martin.

Rev. Paul Montgomery has re-entered the evangelistic field. For the past nine years he has been pastor at Winchester, Ky. He will be assisted by his wife who is a talented pianist and soloist. His address is 1289 Cherokee Road, Louisville, Ky.

Rev. G. D. Lindenmayer, Sr., would like to return to Mississippi as pastor. He is now living at 212 Lewis Street, Memphis, Tenn. He is also open for supply work.

Rev. R. A. Eddlewan, who has been unable to do pastoral work for some time, is now living in Clinton and is available as a pastor.

Evangelist A. D. Muse is in a meeting with Calvary Church, Ocala, Fla. This is his 19th year as an evangelist.

Kreole: We will have Rev. B. S. Hillbun with us for revival meeting beginning January 18.—Jewell Golman, pastor.

Following a recent meeting on what Home Board Missionary Percy Ray of the Pickwick Dam area calls "The Sunflower Plantation," a government project with sixty families of poverty-stricken residents, a church was organized and plans are now being made to erect a house of worship.

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### FRIENDSHIP CHURCH COMPLETES BASEMENT CELEBRATES WITH OYSTER SUPPER

The Young Men's Organization of the Friendship Baptist Church undertook and accomplished the finishing of the ground floor of the church building to make needed Sunday school classrooms and a W. M. S. room, leaving the center section for assemblies and community church dinners held periodically.

Each room and the center ceiling are of lumber. All woodwork and walls and columns are painted white. Each room has been furnished. All materials and the labor were furnished by the young men, led by their president, Mr. Luther Brewer.

Friday night, January 17, these young men gave an oyster supper to the church to celebrate the completion of the work and to foster the fellowship and the spirit of co-operation, a tradition handed down from father to son in this Friendship Church established in 1817.

Their pastor, the Reverend B. T. Bishop, and the rest of the church give these young business men all praise and thanks for the added space and beauty, which will mean a more efficient, working church.

## Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

### "A SPIRITUAL PHYSICIAN"

Every pastor is a spiritual physician. Constantly he has in his church a large number of people who are suffering from spiritual illness. Sometimes the form of this sickness shows itself in the outbreak of a sudden epidemic. Again it acutely attacks individuals here and there. Usually it is a chronic sickness that is caused by unbelief, selfishness, or the other regular sins of church members.

It destroys interest in spiritual growth. It liquidates appreciation of life's best values. It generates negligence, indifference, dissatisfaction, and a host of other weakening ills. The pastor's general practice on spiritual sickness is through his preaching, teaching and living. He needs always to remember that the Great Physician, the Lord Jesus Christ has made him a Physician of Souls.

In addition to his general practice the pastor has much specialized personal practice to do as a physician of souls. This includes his ministry to those who are physically ill, and others who are in personal trouble of one kind or another. Alas, so many of the patients do not know that they are sick. They do know that they are sick and unhappy but do not know what is the matter with themselves. The pastor has a cure for their troubles but they do not realize their need of what he has to offer them. What a different world this world would be and how great would be the improvement in the lives of multitudes of our people if they would only accept their pastor as a competent spiritual physician who can offer them a real cure for much that ails them.

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### WE CHARGE NOTHING

We make no charge for running cuts of people, events and churches. Often we are asked how much we charge for running a cut of a person, church or some event. If there is reader interest in the cut *The Record* is glad to run it and items about it at no cost. However, as we have no funds to pay for cuts, the cuts are to be furnished or paid for by the parties sending them. In another column will be found the ad of the Mississippi Engraving Company. We find them reliable in every way. Better still, send the photograph to us and we will have them make the cut and send the bill to you. BUT there is no charge other than paying the engraver for the cut.

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### URGENT AND UNEXPECTED NEED AT B. B. I.

The insurance companies have notified the Baptist Institute that new boilers must be installed for its heating plant to insure comfort and safety. The present equipment may hold out for the rest of this winter, but certainly cannot be used longer.

This urgent and unexpected need is being made known in the belief and prayer that, according to Philippians 4:19, some friend or friends will supply this necessity in the name of our Savior.

The approximate cost, as now estimated, will be about \$2,500, and we are assured that the new equipment will give much better results and will be less expensive in operating.

The Institute has never had a real and urgent need that was not met. We are confident it will be so again in this case, and that God in answer to earnest and believing prayer will send to us the money for meeting an urgent and unexpected necessity.

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Rev. J. E. Gore has resigned Macedonia and Mt. Tabor Churches in Calhoun County, Bethel in Chickasaw County and Dividing Ridge in Yalobusha. He is now living at Clinton and is open for work.

Friendship, Lincoln County—At the eleven o'clock service on January 18, Deacon Versie C. Smith presented to the Friendship Church, Lincoln County, a beautiful pulpit Bible as a memorial to his father, Rev. W. A. (Charlie) Smith. Rev. Smith was called to his reward in July, 1937.

# MAKE REPORT ON THE RUSSIAN BIBLE FUND

Louie D. Newton

Reports from the State Secretaries, reaching me through January 13, and a few gifts sent through the Foreign Mission Board, of the gifts of Southern Baptists for the Russian Bible Fund, total \$9,073.10.

This report, in most instances, indicates gifts through December, 1941. A subsequent report will be made after February 1 of January gifts, as reported by the State Secretaries.

Alabama	\$ 172.88	Mississippi	\$ 277.60
Arizona	No Report	Missouri	No Report
Arkansas	438.51	New Mexico	52.30
Florida	290.92	North Carolina	735.60
Georgia	2,869.64	Oklahoma	No Report
Illinois	580.34	South Carolina	1,258.15
Kentucky	431.24	Tennessee	214.75
Louisiana	706.82	Texas	980.47
Maryland	63.88	Virginia	No Report

It will be of interest to our people to know that Dr. Francis C. Stifler, of the American Bible Society, was in Atlanta last Saturday to express appreciation of the response of Southern Baptists to this emergency appeal to meet one of the greatest missionary opportunities of all time.

When the following cablegram reached the American Bible Society in early December: "HAVE PERMISSION DISTRIBUTE SCRIPTURES RUSSIAN PRISONERS (STOP) MAY WE PLACE FIRST ORDER THIRTY THOUSAND NEW TESTAMENTS (STOP) COST THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS." Dr. Stifler called me on long distance telephone to say that the Society had no funds with which to answer this appeal for 30,000 copies of the New Testament, but that if we would raise \$3,250, they could immediately provide the New Testaments. I told him to go ahead and send the Testaments, and that Southern Baptists would raise the money.

When I notified Dr. Stifler that we had gone beyond the original sum requested, he notified the London and Geneva offices of the Society, and on January 5, he received this cable: "SHIP AT ONCE ALL AVAILABLE RUSSIAN NEW TESTAMENTS AND GOSPELS."

Dr. Stifler added: "The maintenance of publication of the Scriptures in Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary, Roumania, and Bulgaria and a considerable part of the supply for the churches of France depends on the American Bible Society's Emergency Fund.

"The increase of the United States Navy in the direction of 600,000 men and the tremendous expanse of the Army greatly increases the requirements for Army and Navy Testaments. Another edition of 400,000 is being planned though whether it can be supplied by chaplains to the men depends on the condition of the Emergency Fund."

Please let me take this occasion to thank everyone who has had part in this vitally important matter. We have been praying that the doors would open for the Gospel in Russia. They are opening "very wide", according to the above statement. Can we better serve the Kingdom of God today and tomorrow than in providing God's Word for Russia? They are proving themselves effective in fighting the war, and will, likely, have much to say in making the peace.

"The entrance of Thy Word giveth Light." Selah.

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cation Commission, are mindful of the serious problems in the matter referred to in the letters from financiers and bankers.

We commend the attention that has been given the matter, and instruct the Executive Secretary to continue to throw out lines in this matter as he is able.

(2) On calling bonds:

R. D. Pearson introduced the following resolution which was seconded by G. C. Hodge relative to taking up outstanding bonds. It was adopted.

### Resolution

Feeling that taking up \$106,400 of our bonds December last has greatly encouraged our people; And feeling that Mississippi Baptists have enough of God's money to cause us to be able to take up \$100,000 in bonds in June, and another

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SAN ANGELO, TEX.

The First Baptist Church, San Angelo, Texas, has experienced a magnificent growth in all aspects of its work and reached glorious spiritual heights under the ministry of Dr. James W. Middleton, who came to us as pastor from Clinton, Miss., last April. He has (through December) been with us 38 weeks and during that period there have been 318 additions to the church, 81 of whom were by baptism on profession of faith.

All phases of the work have been strengthened. During these brief months a new one-day high attendance record has been achieved by the Sunday school with an attendance of 1,363. Also the Sunday school achieved a newly monthly attendance record with an average of 1,153 in the month of September. Throughout the fall months the average was above 1,100. The Training Union has kept pace, setting a new one-day high attendance record of 533 and a new high monthly average of 356. Training Union attendance has averaged above 300 all fall.

Finances have shown a phenomenal gain. The church budget was increased from \$32,500.00 to \$35,000.00 and was oversubscribed in eight days. Final subscription showed nearly \$41,000.00 and a very large increase in number of tithers, increased pledges, and new pledgers. Income the first two months of the new budget year, which began November 1, has exceeded even this amazing indication, the total income for the two months exceeding \$8,700. Gifts to missions and benevolences have been notably increased, both in the new budget and in special gifts.

Notable gains have been registered also in preaching attendance with the largest audiences on the average in the history of the church. Dr. Middleton is a great preacher and pastor and God is blessing his ministry in San Angelo in a marvelous way. I have never before seen any church rally so unanimously to the leadership of a new pastor.

RAY ROZELL,  
Assistant Pastor.

\$100,000 December first, 1942, and doing this without crippling any phase of His work;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That we challenge Mississippi Baptists to set these sums as semi-annual goals.

(3) Authorizing Secretary McCall to call bonds. Secretary McCall in the following motion was authorized to take up bonds:

### Motion

On motion of W. A. Hewitt, seconded by J. D. Ray, the Executive Secretary was authorized to call bonds, June 1, 1942, in the approximate sum of \$100,000 as funds may be available.

(4) The Victory Book:

The following resolution relative to the preparation of a Victory Book was adopted:

WHEREAS, success in the Now Club program makes it appear that a great victory may lie just ahead, believing that this stupendous accomplishment is worthy of a large place in the story of the life and work of the Mississippi Baptists;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the Executive Secretary who is State Director of the Campaign, be authorized to prepare at the proper time a "Victory Book" in which shall be recorded names of individuals, churches, and associations, for presentation at the meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention following the successful consummation of the Now Club campaign, after which time the book shall be placed in the Archives of Mississippi Baptists.

(5) On Education Day:

The following resolution on the observance of Education Day made by E. D. Hurst and seconded by Mark Lowry was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mississippi Baptists be urged to observe Christian Education Day in June for making an extra offering for Now Club causes.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

J. D. DAVIS, President,  
WALTON E. LEE, Secretary.

## 25 YEARS AGO

The items below are taken from The Baptist Record of twenty-five years ago.

Rev. J. L. Low is on the field at Tylertown. Rev. E. S. Pool has succeeded him at Forty-first Avenue, Meridian.

The first page of The Record was given to the reports of the Education Commission. A campaign to raise thirty thousand dollars for Woman's College and Clarke College was recommended.

Rev. J. S. Deaton offered good advice in an article on "How to Face the New Year."

Dr. J. L. Vipperman resigns at Columbus. Durant has called Rev. Finley W. Tinnin.

Rev. S. T. Courtney moves from Cascilla to Florence.

Judge J. A. P. Campbell died last week. He was a member of the Confederate Congress and served his state as lawyer and jurist for many years after the Reconstruction.

Rev. J. B. Quin reports a cordial reception at Grenada. He began his pastorate there January 1, 1917.

Rev. J. L. Boyd reports progress at Galilee Church, Gloster.

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were considered.

(5) In the soldier camp work the following set-up is unanimously adopted:

Answering questions coming about the conduct of our work among soldiers and defense projects: BE IT RESOLVED, That our program in that department be presented to the people in something of the following order:

1. That we continue the part time voluntary contact service on the part of Brother Fred Langley, commending him for his fine spirit in the matter.

2. That we continue Brother M. E. Perry in full-time service at Hattiesburg and Camp Shelby.

3. That the work on the McLaurin field be supported in line with another resolution.

4. That as soon as money is available and suitable helpers found, \$1,140 will be available for work at Biloxi.

5. That needed building help be given the mission at Pascagoula.

6. That a part-time worker be put on the field (as the money is available) at Meridian, Jackson, Greenville, Florida, and the CCC Camps.

7. That we join heartily in the Columbus First Church program in appropriating \$900 in part support of a full-time worker for the training field nearby.

(6) On motion which carried, the Executive Secretary is authorized, if the money may be found within the budget, to add the \$200.00 to the B. S. U. fund at both the University of Mississippi and Mississippi State for the work of 1942, as referred to us by the Board.

(7) The following resolution urging an increased circulation of Baptist Record was adopted:

### Resolution

Believing the automobile and the tire situation will affect adversely attendance upon group meetings at which the work of our Lord will be considered, and believing that The Baptist Record may help make up for any lack at this point, we urge on all board employees, pastors, and laymen, a campaign for increased Baptist Record circulation.

We further believe a total paid subscription of 30,000 in number to be a worthy goal.

Motion made by E. D. Hurst, and seconded by J. D. Ray.

(8) On motion of E. D. Hurst, which carried, the matter of adjusting expense accounts is left to Secretary McCall.

The business finished, E. D. Hurst led in a closing prayer.

JOHN D. DAVIS, President,  
WALTON E. LEE, Secretary.

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### BAPTIST BEHAVIOR IN A WORLD AT WAR

Today our country finds itself in a war that will in many ways touch every home, every business, every farm and everything in our land. It is a war that we did not want to enter. Americans are not a war-like people. Peace suits most of us, most of the time. But when a nation so far forgets (deliberately ignores is a better description) every gentlemanly instinct, every principle of honor and sneaks up on a peace-loving people, there is only one thing to do—defend yourself. So, regardless of our wishes or our beliefs, we are at war.

We must not lose this war. If we do, we not only lose the war but political, economic and territorial possessions; and freedom as we know it would be but a faded leaf in the yellow book of memory. And worse, we would lose our religious freedom just as the Germans, Italians, Japanese and conquered nations have done. But we expect to have more to say about this in a later issue.

What shall be our attitude concerning this war which was forced upon us? We must support our government. We cannot expect to win a war against a cunning, prepared and ruthless enemy by criticizing. There will be much that we do not approve. But there is more about our enemies that we disapprove. Let us win the war and then try to correct home evils. Our armed forces probably do not approve of everything as they find it. But they obey orders. Those at home should be just as loyal as the fighters.

We must not hate our enemies. We can and should hate their evil designs and deeds. But let us love their souls. Let us fight in such a way that when the victory is won we can be victors without memories of shameful practices. Regardless of how unfair the enemy may act, let us be Christian fighters.

Baptists should be more faithful to their churches than ever before. More calls will come, pastors will be expected to do the usual and the unusual. As added burdens are loaded on our pastors the people must join in.

Suffering, privation, death and destruction will be the lot of many. We should endeavor to minister to those who sorrow. Let us try to alleviate as much suffering as we can. This will be a good way to prove some of the Christianity we have claimed.

We must not mistreat any aliens in our midst. Let us watch them. But even though they are natives of countries now our enemies, treat them with fairness and justice.

And in the dark days to come (and they will come) Baptists should help people keep faith in God. It is easy to have faith when the sun shines, but it takes a true Christian to look into a cloud that is black as midnight and still have faith.

Those at home amid plenty and most of the necessities of life, far from the blood and carnage of battle should be as courageous and brave as our sons and fathers and friends are out yonder, far from home, surrounded by hardships and facing enemies and death. Bravery and courage is not expected of service men alone.

We will be called upon to do without many things but far be it from us to complain until we make sacrifices equal to those "the boys over there" are making. If necessary we should observe meatless, wheatless and sweetless days without a murmur. Our boys will do without many things. We will be called upon to pay heavy taxes but the armed forces are leaving homes, jobs, luxuries and many other things that we will still have. There should be no complaining until we have matched the sacrifices of the ones who are really doing the thing the hard way.

We must refuse to be deluded into thinking that this is a war to end all wars. We heard much such foolishness during World War I. The writer even preached it. But we were an innocent victim of a foolish ideal. As long as human nature is what it is we are going to have wars. As long as unregenerate men covet what

### OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

#### Liquor Ban Deemed Necessary to the Defense of Hawaii

"Violators of war-time Honolulu's liquor selling ban receive no leniency from the military court—and 'fixing' the rap, as was often done in the United States during prohibition days, is impossible. . . .

"The first violator since war began drew a sentence of five years at hard labor. . . .

"Bars in Honolulu had been closed by the military governor and sale of liquor was prohibited. . . .

This news story from Honolulu probably inspired many American citizens and newspaper readers to wonder and speculate, perhaps wistfully, perhaps sadly, upon what changes might have been made in the grim record of the war to date if this ban on liquor sales in Honolulu had been in existence the day before that tragic Sunday morning when the Japanese struck to wreak death and devastation upon Pearl Harbor. The day before was a Saturday and reportedly a payday.

The official board of inquiry has not reported its findings regarding why the defending forces at Hawaii were, as Secretary Knox charged, "not on the alert" when the Japanese struck. We don't know the reasons. That board of inquiry will eventually reveal them.

It is reasonable, however, to believe or argue that if, in war time, after this treacherous and successful attack by the Japanese, the efficiency and effectiveness of the defense of Hawaii is deemed by military authorities to require a ban on liquor sales, that a similar ban before the attack would have increased the efficiency and preparedness of the defense.

It is also logical to believe and contend that if a ban on liquor sales is necessary to protect the efficiency of sailors and soldiers at posts of duty, a similar ban on liquor sales near Army and Navy training camps and bases would improve and protect the efficiency of the training of troops by protecting their mental and physical efficiency.

This story from Hawaii, to thousands of American readers, may also have inspired speculation regarding whether or not national prohibition would have been more effectively enforced, and therefore would have endured, had there been less "fixing the rap" to nullify enforcement efforts.—Clarion-Ledger.

others have, some one is going to try to take it by force.

Smile even though it hurts. Long faces are contagious. So are smiles. This is no time for preachers to preach gloomy sermons. If ever the sermon should be full of cheer now is the time.

Don't depend too much on numbers and material resources. Use everything at your command. Use our men, our material, our everything. But never lose sight of God. Gideon had few men but he had God on his side. But Gideon did not rest in his tent expecting God to hand him a well wrapped package containing victory. He went out and did what he could and God did the rest. David slew Goliath but he did what he could and God blessed his effort with victory.

Remember that "all things work together for good. . . ." But let us be certain that we are included in the number that love the Lord. It doesn't mean that all things are good. Certainly that bereaved mother or wife would not feel that the death of her loved one is good. But God's word says that good will come out of it. He will work it out to our good. These dark days coming are not going to be good. These sacrifices we must make are not going to be good. These funerals we are going to attend are not going to be good. But out of all this darkness and disappointment and suffering and sacrifice that shall come God will produce good.

Finally, remember that much of the material that Japan is now using against us is the material that our greed enabled them to buy. But we sold it to them we are going to attend are not going to be good. But not to use against us but to use against the Chinese. would be used on others is coming home to roost. We will just have to grin and bear it and ask God to forgive us for the past and promise never again to let dollars overcome justice.

### CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

#### Called and Accepted

Fred Ayers, North Fork, S. C.  
J. P. Bayers, Newellton, La.  
Roy Bunch, Cubo, Mo.  
Paul Balk, Seminary, Perry County, Miss.  
O. H. Buckley, Mandeville, La.  
E. Allen Burnett, Largo, Fla.  
Thomas L. Brown, Forestville, N. C.  
Thomas R. Brown, Mt. Sterling, Ky.  
J. L. Bobo, First, Williston, Fla.  
Joe Clapp, McKenzie, Tennessee.  
H. S. Coleman, Shuler, La.  
C. D. Cole, Lucerne Park, Orlando, Fla.  
M. K. Cobble, Grace Tabernacle, Elizabethtown, Tennessee.  
R. L. Cook, Amite Church, near Denham Springs, Louisiana.  
G. H. Crittendon, Hastings, Okla.  
E. E. Colvin, Rosewood, Columbia, S. C.  
Clarence W. Cranford, Calvary, Washington, D. C.  
Ira A. Campbell, Fort Trial Church, Blue Ridge Association, Va.  
J. Marvin Crowe, Charleston, S. C.  
Wayne Dehoney, Powell's Chapel Church, Walter Hill, Tennessee.  
J. A. Duren, First, Colquitt, Georgia.  
Frank Cheavers, Seventh and James Street Church, Waco, Texas.  
M. L. Dorton, East Marion, N. C.  
L. M. Dixon, Loray, Gastonia, N. C.  
Alfred S. Day, Forest, Chillicothe, Mo.  
A. L. Eupanks, Gateba, Okla.

#### RESIGNED

T. D. Brown, Highland, Louisville, Ky.  
Thomas R. Brown, Stanford, Ky.  
O. H. Buckley, Tangipahoa, La.  
W. H. Baylor, Parkview, Portsmouth, Va.  
E. A. Burnette, First, Frostproof, Ga.  
C. D. Cole, Berea, Plant City, Fla.  
H. S. Coleman, Mira and Walnut Hills, La.  
Joe Clapp, Woodland Mills, Tennessee.  
M. K. Cobble, Lake City, Tennessee.  
Clarence W. Cranford, Second, Richmond, Va.  
E. J. Daniel, First, Wintergarden, Fla.  
J. A. Duren, Donaldsville, Ga.  
Earl Finney, Cross Baptist Church, Herrin, Ill.  
Fred Forester, Colowhes, N. C.  
T. H. Gibson, Orange Glade, Fla.  
W. Y. Henderson, Cherry Creek, S. C.  
Bartow Harris, First, Summerville, S. C.  
James T. Horton, Benton and Plain Deal, La.  
B. B. Hilbun, Pontotoc, Miss.

#### ORDAINED

Leo Armstrong, Henderson, Texas.  
Otis Armstrong, Henderson, Texas.  
Fred Ayers, Greenville, S. C.  
Ed Booth, Centralia, Ill.  
C. C. Baldwin, Eufala, Ala.  
Walter Cross, Canal Point, Fla.  
Frank Clark, Norman Park, Ga.  
Frank J. Baker, Clearwater, Fla.  
J. R. Burton, Cross Roads, Ark.  
John Duddleston, Wright City, Mo.  
D. V. Hillman, Leakesville, Miss.

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#### RIO BAPTIST COLLEGE

In writing regarding the work of the Baptist College at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Missionary Paul C. Porter says:

"The government inspectors do not in any way interfere with our religious liberty, religious teaching or chapel services. We preach the gospel daily to hundreds of students from the best homes in Rio de Janeiro. It would not be fair to measure the results by the number of baptisms. Even those who are converted do not feel free to come out and join our churches as they are minors in Catholic homes. Thank God, nobody can take out of their hearts the seeds that have fallen there during the years they studied in our schools. Some confess Christ later on. One of these visited me today. He was educated in our Rio College. He is the only believer in a traditionally Catholic family in one of the small northern states. He is now a teacher and Christian worker of great value in his native state. There are many others like him. Here in Rio we have just baptized one of our best teachers, and others are under conviction."

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### Durant

We had the privilege of supplying for the Durant saints because Jimmy Street had gone to Hazlehurst as pastor. As always there was an appreciative audience at both services. Though a little shocked at the going of their popular pastor, they are carrying on in a fine way. A pulpit committee is already functioning and they hope to find God's man for Durant and the sooner the better, is their feeling. Deacon Ray was the master of ceremonies and he knows just how to make a visitor feel at home. And just to see the beautiful new auditorium was worth the trip to Durant.

Holmes County now has subscribers listed as follows: CENTRAL 12; CRUGER 18; R. F. D. Durant 2; DURANT 104; EBENEZER 19; GOODMAN 29; LEXINGTON 42; PICKENS 31; Springdale 3; TCHULA 40; WEST 28; Oregon 3; Mt. Vernon 1; Pleasant Ridge 1.

### It Certainly Is

"The Baptist Record is the best assistant pastor any pastor has," W. S. Allen, Pass Christian.

### Vicksburg Making Plans to Increase Record List

A telephone call from Dr. D. Swan Haworth, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Vicksburg, informed us that he was then having a meeting of his periodical committee and that they expected to multiply their Baptist Record subscription list by several times in the very near future.

Warren County now has Record readers listed as follows: CALVARY 26; Vicksburg First 18; BOWMAR AVENUE 69; Yokena 2.

### The List Continues to Grow

Among churches recently adopting the EVERY FAMILY plan are: Cornersville, Marshall County, Frank Cox, pastor; Tillatobia, Yalobusha; Hollywood, Tunica, J. E. Kinsey; Salem, Marshall, E. D. McCulloch; Oak Grove, Neshoba, Lavon Moore; Osborne Creek, Prentiss, C. E. Patch; Pleasant Hill, Lowndes, L. B. Wages; Hamilton, Monroe, W. C. Ballard; Pine Grove, Pearl River, U. K. Perego; Eucutta, Wayne, H. A. Johnson; Greenville, Marion, J. C. Watts.

### Help Wanted

We lack only three thousand of having the circulation which was set as our goal for 1945. Why wait three years to do what can be done in a few weeks if just half the preachers of Mississippi will help a little now. There are still many, many churches in our good state that have few or no Baptist Record subscribers. This is an invitation and an appeal to the pastors of Mississippi to send in a list of subscribers.

First, try to lead your church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY plan. Some of them will surprise you and adopt it. If you fail to get it adopted then try the second best plan which is to send the Record to the deacons, Sunday school teachers, and general officers of the B. T. U., W. M. U., and Brotherhood. This is known as the official family plan. The cost of either of the two plans outlined above is only eight and one-third cents per month per family. If unable to get either of these plans installed, then try the individual plan. Get up a club of ten subscribers at one dollar and twenty-five cents each. You may then add to the club at the same rate.

Surely out of all the churches and pastors in Mississippi there are three thousand more people that can be enlisted for the Record. And the larger the subscription list of the Record the better goes the work in all departments.

PLEASE HELP US. WE NEED THOSE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

### NOBLE EXAMPLES

#### I

In May, 1940, Joseph Barnhill, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Barnhill of Hattiesburg, passed away. Being typical of the heroic Christian mother, Mrs. Barnhill desired to establish a memorial to her splendid son—a memorial which would not only remind people that Joseph had lived, but which would also assist other people to live more fully. Therefore, Mrs. Barnhill has sent to Mississippi College a check for one thousand dollars for the purpose of establishing a memorial scholarship. Thus, down through the years some Mississippi College student each year will be helped to complete his college preparation; the college catalogue and other annals will carry Joseph's name in connection with the scholarship perpetually; and the magnificent and sacrificial spirit of a Christian mother will be immortalized. A noble example!

#### II

Some years ago Mr. and Mrs. Leland Speed of Jackson were called upon to relinquish their devoted stewardship of their little son, James Stewart Speed, who went away to take his place in God's beautiful garden of "transplanted flowers." Desiring to perpetuate the memory of a precious child who seemed destined to achieve greatly had he lived, Mr. and Mrs. Speed established the "James Stewart Speed Memorial Scholarship Fund," which has now been increased to eight thousand dollars. Our Heavenly Father must smile with happiness upon heroic parents who, denied the privilege of rearing their own lad and sending him to a Christian college, choose to do the magnanimous favor of making college possible for some other lads who otherwise might not have had the privilege of Christian education. Worthy examples!

#### III

Now coming into the beautiful twilight of an almost incomparably rich life is the esteemed Dr. J. W. Lee, honored Baptist pastor of Batesville, Mississippi. Throughout all the years Dr. Lee has been generous and heroic in his relationship to Mississippi College. He has been a student, an alumnus, a patron, a trustee, and always a magnificent friend of Mississippi College. Though he had already demonstrated a generosity of unusually high order toward his beloved Alma Mater, he has now gone still another length in establishing the "J. W. Lee Memorial Scholarship" of a thousand dollars for the assistance of worthy students. Dr. Lee has not been content with merely trying to "repay" the college for its contribution to his life in years past, but has rather sought to give to the fullest of his capacity in order to extend the ministry of a great college. Wonderful example!

#### IV

During his lifetime the late Dr. J. V. May of Port Gibson revealed his affection for Mississippi College in a great number of ways. When he passed away, he left an abiding token of his profound esteem for "his college" in making provision for the establishment of the "Dr. and Mrs. James V. May Scholarship Fund" which will have an estimated value of ten thousand dollars. Thus a great Christian layman has made a contribution to the life-service of Mississippi College which will continue to pay dividends to the end of time. An example so fully worthy of emulation!

### And You . . . And You?

The foregoing instances ought to be multiplied many times in the years ahead. If many parents whose children have been richly blessed in Mississippi College would follow the noble example of Mrs. Barnhill, if other parents who have no sons to send to Mississippi College would follow the inspiring example of Mr. and Mrs. Speed, if great groups of alumni whose lives have been as richly blessed as the life of Dr. Lee would emulate his worthy example, and if many of our friends would leave abiding tokens of their appreciation in their bequests, our needs for additional endowment and an administration building would be adequately met. Perhaps you cannot match the generosity of the ones mentioned above, but you can match their spirit! If all you can offer is a small token, remember that our Master honored the widow's mite, the loaves and fishes, and the woman's simple gift of ointment on his body. When you respond, you bless the life of the college, the lives

### APPEAL PROMPTLY FOR TIRES FOR MINISTERS

Dear Mr. Editor:

In my article of January 7th on "Ministers Also Need Tires" the emphasis in the title was on the word "also." I was emphasizing that if a veterinarian could be granted new tires in order to visit a sick dog, cow or horse, that it was quite amazing that tires could not "also" be granted to ministers to visit the sick, to attend funerals, to hold church services and to make pastoral calls, especially in the country districts. I preached ten days ago on the Occoquan Circuit. The pastor of that circuit preaches four times every other Sunday at churches several miles apart, and has two other churches on other Sundays. He can not walk the distances between these churches and reach the churches in time for the service, and there are numerous country churches all through Virginia and other states where pastors can not possibly reach their appointments, even if they had the money to buy a horse and buggy.

Moreover, the fact that so many of their people will not be able to get tires, and the older, weaker people will not be able to get to the church, makes pastoral visitation even more necessary than ever before. There will be trouble and sorrow in many homes, and the minister must be a veritable "Son of Consolation" and a builder-up of the morale of the people in his community.

Both Senator Byrd and Congressman Satterfield have written me stating their agreement with my appeal, and that they have urged Mr. Henderson to grant priority of tires to ministers, especially in the country districts. The Southern Churchman of Richmond, in its issue of January 10th, says editorially: "We suggest that our National Council, in cooperation with the proper groups from the Federal Council of Churches, investigate the possibility of seeing that rural clergy are placed in the preferred group. This is a serious situation. It is going to take courage and foresight to solve it." Zion's Herald of Boston, one of the leading religious journals of the country, states editorially: "There is a very serious omission in the list (covering essential services). Between 1 and 2 there should have been inserted a paragraph to read substantially as follows: 'Vehicles used by priests, rabbis and ministers of the gospel, principally for professional services in visiting the sick and dying, bringing comfort to families bereaved by the death of fathers, sons and brothers killed in the war, and similar ministries.'

"Government officials in the present crisis are emphasizing the importance of maintaining public morale. Why should the leaders of religious bodies, in whose organizations are enrolled more than half the population of the country, be handicapped in a work that is of such high importance to the physical, moral and spiritual welfare of the nation?"

Today's New York Times gives three-quarters of a column to a special dispatch from Washington headed: "Ministers' Status of Autos Studied." Among other things it says: "Members of Congress have received requests from members of all churches that their representatives be permitted to purchase both tires and cars." The Times winds up by copying in full my letter to Senators Byrd and Satterfield.

As I wrote in my former communication, I am amazed that it should not have been recognized by the OPA and the Office of Civilian Supplies that "Ministers Also Need Tires." I believe that a strong appeal from all sections of the country will give the ministers the needed tires.

JAMES CANNON, JR.

Richmond, Virginia.

Jan. 13, 1942.

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### Advance Orders Indicate Wide Use of Cuban Books

Advance orders of the new graded series of mission study books on Cuba totaled one-fifth of the number printed even before the books were brought from the press according to a tabulation by the Home Mission Board shipping department.

of many students throughout the years; also, you will be establishing still another noble example which may, in its turn, inspire an endless succession of emulators!

## WHAT'S THE NEWS?

George W. Sadler, Secretary  
Foreign Mission Board

for Africa, Europe and the Near East

So many persons have manifested interest in the well-being of our missionaries in the beleaguered areas that we are using this space in answering their queries.

The Foreign Mission Board has heard directly or indirectly from many of the centers in which missionaries were at work at the time of the outbreak of hostilities. Dr. Maddry brought tidings from the Hawaiian group with whom he had daily contact for almost a week after December 7. Before he left Honolulu, he called the missionaries together and presented to them, one by one, the two alternatives—leaving for the mainland or staying by the stuff. It is inspiring to know that all of them deliberately decided to identify themselves with danger and need and opportunity right where they were.

In addition to prosecuting the tasks which were originally committed to them, our missionaries in Hawaii are administering relief, working with soldiers and cooperating with the government as special agents. Rarely has any group of Christian workers had opened to them so many doors of opportunity.

The news that first came from the Philippines was good. The group that had gone there for language study was increased by two, Miss Sallie James and Rev. Earl Parker, who stopped en route from China. A cablegram, asking for funds, was responded to but, since the fall of Manila, there has been no word from Saguio.

Messages sent by Dr. M. T. Rankin on December 11 and 12 were received on the 17th. These advised us that he, the Wards, Misses Dodson and Pender and Mr. Quick were in Hongkong, Drs. Hayes and Miller, Miss Groome, Messrs. Gallimore and Woodward in Canton.

Three telegraphic messages have been received from Dr. R. E. Beddoe in which he requested that funds be forwarded. His requests were granted promptly, of course. In the third communication he stated that the Canton missionaries were safe and well.

Rev. J. L. Galloway, of Macao, South China, asked by cable that money be sent through a Portuguese bank. The maximum amount allowed by government regulations was dispatched.

From the three centers in Europe in which our representatives have been living in these latter days there have come words of reassurance. Mrs. Bengtson, of Barcelona, indicates that she can receive and dispense funds. From Washington and Budapest reports come which lead us to believe the John Allen Moores and Miss Ruby Daniel will be allowed to leave Hungary with the American legation. It is expected that they will travel to Lisbon and it is hoped that they will find it possible to proceed thence to the United States.

On January 10 the following communication came from Honorable Cordell Hull:

"Reference departments letter December 20 concerning repatriation Roy Starmer and family from Bucharest. Telegram dated January 6 from Starmer transmitted through Swiss minister Bucharest quote referring your telegraphic instructions plan travel with legation to Spain. Since department of state informed legation private citizens not permitted travel to States on government vessel sent for diplomatic party must travel on Spanish vessel from Bilbao although would prefer sailing with diplomatic party as wife is convalescing from serious operation. Require immediate telegraphic transfer of \$1250 to Kagon Lits Geneva for transportation and subsistence. Telegraph reply via Bern. Unquote. Department willing to instruct American legation Bern by telegraph at your expense to request Swiss government to deliver your reply to Starmer at Bucharest."

Two trips have been made to Washington and one to New York in recent weeks in efforts to contact missionaries in war-ridden areas and reach them with funds. Officials of the state department and of other boards have been most co-operative. Friends and relatives of missionaries may rest assured that both the Foreign Mission Board and the department of state will exhaust

every resource in their efforts to supply the needs of these ambassadors of Christ.

## Loss and Reinforcement

The Foreign Mission Board has sustained a real loss in the leaving of Archibald M. McMillan for entry into the military service of his country. During the brief period of his connection with the Board, Mr. McMillan has taken the lead in increasing the circulation of The Commission from 16,111 to 32,600. This unusually gifted young man will be followed by the prayers and good wishes of Southern Baptists.

Miss Lucy Smith, secretary to Dr. M. T. Rankin, happened to be in this country at the beginning of war with Japan. She has strengthened our hands by taking over some of the responsibility formerly borne by Mr. McMillan.

Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., came a few days after the beginning of the New Year to assume his duties as secretary of the Foreign Mission Board for its work in Latin America. Dr. Gill is so well and favorably known to Southern Baptists that words of introduction would be superfluous. We are sure that those who will cooperate happily with Dr. Gill will be glad to have this word from him.

## Latin America Calling

Everett Gill, Jr.

Secretary for Latin America

Each week millions of Americans are listening with a newborn interest to Edward Tomlinson and other noted radio commentators on Latin American affairs. For the first time in their lives, many North Americans have become conscious of the existence of this tremendous continent where one nation like Brazil is larger than the United States. Unfortunately, we had to wait for a world war, and our own need of hemisphere defense to arouse our interest. Whatever the cause, we rejoice in this coming together of North and South Americans. All Central American nations are now fighting side by side with the United States. Colombia is the only South American nation which is an actual ally, but the majority of the other nations are friendly. Following the conference in Rio de Janeiro this January, they may become even more co-operative.

Long before we ever dreamed of a "Good Neighbor" policy or hemisphere defense, our Foreign Mission Board, through its missionaries, has been engaged in an unselfish, sacrificial endeavor to give the simple, glorious Gospel of Christ to the millions of South America. Prompted solely by love for the Lord and for the people of those lovely lands, we have asked nothing in return. We have given churches, schools, colleges, seminaries; we have raised the moral standards, have educated their children, have above all brought thousands to a saving knowledge of Christ. Our missionaries, returning to the United States, have sung the praises and presented the opportunities of our neighbors. We do not go to take our northern culture, nor do we go as agents of any government or business.

Through our missionaries we go to represent Christ and His infinite, redeeming love, forcing no one to accept Him, asking simply for the privilege of holding Him up before men. Tens of thousands of good Brazilians, good Uruguayans, good Argentinians, good Chileans, and people of other nations have accepted Him voluntarily. Great native conventions, with hundreds of churches, carry on a magnificent work.

All we ask is for the same right the Catholics have in North America to propagate their views. Every Baptist is ready to defend the Catholic's right to proclaim the truth as he sees it. We ask for reciprocity and are willing to let the Truth stand or fall on its own merits, without political pressure.

Having accepted the call of the Foreign Mission Board to become its secretary for Latin America, I have undertaken my new work with the deepest conviction of my soul that this is the call of God. Spending these first months familiarizing myself with the work of the Foreign Mission Board in all Central and South America, it is my hope to make an initial visit of these areas after the Southern Baptist Convention in May, if war conditions permit. Our co-operative work in these fields includes some 800 churches, 325 ordained native workers, 150 missionaries, and over 80 schools, colleges and seminaries.



R. G. LETOURNEAU WILL VISIT GRENADA  
Speaks Three Times on Sunday, February First

We are to have Mr. R. G. Letourneau, great Christian layman, in Grenada, Sunday, Feb. 1st. Mr. Letourneau will speak three times: at 11:00 o'clock a. m., 3:00 o'clock p. m., and 7:00 o'clock p. m. All three services will be at the First Baptist Church. The other churches of the city are cooperating, and we are expecting a record attendance at all three services.

Mr. Letourneau is hailed as America's No. 1 Christian layman. Recently his story was told in brief in an article published in Liberty Magazine. There are still many who are not acquainted with Mr. Letourneau's marvelous ministry, but it is one of the most wonderful and fascinating stories of modern Christian stewardship. Although this great business man is taxed almost to capacity by the many calls upon him by his vast industrial empire, nevertheless he finds time to speak in churches every Sunday, and often during the week. He flies from coast to coast, paying his own expenses, witnessing for Christ, and winning the lost to the Saviour. He has endowed the Letourneau Foundation, strictly an evangelistic enterprise, with thirteen million dollars.

We would be glad to have our friends visit us to hear Mr. Letourneau when he comes.

GLEN ERIC WILEY.

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## "FILL YOUR QUOTA NOW"

"Fill Your Quota Now" is the request from the government to Southern Baptists regarding its army reserve chaplains. Recent response has been gratifying but the need is greater than as of August 1 when this office made its first appeal. Qualifications are still the same, age 24-40, an A. B. and Th.B. degree or the equivalent, with three years of preaching experience. We are requested to withhold endorsement of men not meeting these qualifications.

Southern Baptist quota is 74% filled. In addition to quota we need a 25% reserve pool to draw upon for impending emergencies. We are shorter on quota than any other denomination excepting Methodists and Catholics. Northern Baptists are over with 124%.

Southern Baptists have no ecclesiastical authority to appoint or draft their chaplains as do some other denominations. We must depend upon the volunteer cooperation of our 25,259 churches and 23,040 preachers. Here lies the answer whether Southern Baptists will have their portion of preachers serving military forces or will other denominations take our place. We cannot ask the government to hold our quota open much longer. "FILL YOUR QUOTA NOW."

By ALFRED CARPENTER,  
Superintendent Camp Work,  
Home Mission Board.

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A New Year's dinner honoring deacons of the church and the president and circle chairmen of the Woman's Missionary Society was given January 2 by Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Martin of Senatobia. The affair was entirely informal but all made brief talks expressing gratitude for the progress being made in all departments of the church's work and pledging increased effort for the New Year.

# Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

"A good thing to remember,  
And a better thing to do,  
Is — work with the construction gang,  
Not with the wreckin' crew."

## I Sentence Sermons

"How poor is he . . .  
Who has nothing to live on but his income.  
Who has no friends except those his money can  
buy.  
Who has no sorrows to drive him to God.  
Who has no sympathy for those less fortunate.  
Who has no memory of great and unselfish ac-  
tions.  
Who has no hope of becoming better than he is.  
Who has not principles to sustain him in the  
hour of doubt."  
—First Baptist Church Bulletin, Laurel.

II  
In trying to enlarge our service we have started  
keeping the Board office open at the noon hour.  
We believe this will prove helpful to Jacksonians  
who frequently run up at the noon hour.

It should also be helpful to our visiting friends  
from distant points. The King's servants deserve  
every consideration in His work!

III  
We expect to publish 1941 receipts just as soon  
as the records are completed. The helpers in the  
office, because of an increase in The King's Busi-  
ness, were behind with the posting for September,  
October, November and December.

Not only have receipts almost doubled within  
the last two years, but multitudes of smaller con-  
tributions are received. This means more people  
and more churches are supporting His work.

IV  
The Sunday school work committee of the Con-  
vention Board urges "that more consideration be  
given in the local church to the matter of select-  
ing consecrated men and women for officers and  
teachers in our Sunday schools." Committee  
members were: W. A. Green, W. J. Shoemaker, S.  
E. Travis, J. J. Burson, S. P. Andrews, W. W. Ky-  
zar, C. J. Olander, G. C. Hodge and E. L. Byrd.

V  
We believe the patriotism of ministers of the  
Lord Jesus will compare favorably with the pa-  
triotism of any other group. The ministers will  
abide by emergency decisions occasioned by the  
war, so long as they do not affect conscience.

The work of the ministry is vital. It is primary.  
It is necessary as to time and eternity.

The souls of men are of more import than their  
bodies.

Unless the rubber situation is critical in the ex-  
treme it is a tragic mistake to leave pastors off  
the preferred list in getting tires and tubes.

VI  
Jesus and the Word say:  
"Go out with joy." Isa. 55:12.  
"Go in the strength of the Lord." Ps. 71:16.  
"Go out quickly." Luke 14:21.  
"Go ye and learn." Mt. 9:13.  
"Go work today." Mt. 21:28.

His example: "I must WORK the works of Him  
that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh  
when no man can work." John 9:4.

VII  
Serious consideration should be given the call  
to the chaplaincy, in both Army and Navy, by  
some of our best ministers. Certainly, our quota  
should be kept filled.

VIII  
Despite the intense cold we enjoyed a visit to  
Macon, speaking to attentive congregations both  
morning and evening. It was worth the trip to be  
in the home of Pastor R. D. Pearson and family.  
The church folks are an appreciative group.

In the afternoon we were privileged to witness  
at Bethel church—a cooperative church—an E. F.

church—a Now Club church—a church of our  
Lord!

IX  
Pastor James L. Sullivan, Clinton, writes that the  
offering for the soldier work will be taken the first  
Sunday of February, and adds, "You may count on  
us."

A lovely "Living Bouquet" service for Dr. Lipsey  
was held by the Clinton Church, recently. We  
were prevented from being present by an engage-  
ment calling for the ordination of deacons. Bless-  
ings upon him!

X  
Two of our fine Mississippi men finish at South-  
ern Baptist Theological Seminary this spring. We  
hope they may be brought back to Mississippi.

These brethren are: Wilson Hogan, Hattiesburg,  
and William N. Gardner, Macon.

XI  
Some Things I Never Aim to Do  
There are some things that I have fully made  
up my mind NOT TO DO.

First, I never aim to preach a sermon for the  
purpose of taking the hide off of some brother  
who has offended me. The pulpit is not the place  
for that.

Second, I never aim to compromise the truth of  
God by going into a UNION meeting where one  
cannot "Contend earnestly for the faith once FOR  
ALL delivered to the saints."

Third, I never aim to fall out with my church  
or denomination and start a movement in opposi-  
tion to same.

Fourth, I never aim to criticize the younger  
preachers because they are crowding me out.

Fifth, when I retire or am retired I am not go-  
ing to become disgruntled and critical.

Sixth, when I resign my church or they resign  
me, I am not going to stay in that town and be a  
thorn in the next pastor's side. I know how mem-  
bers would go to a former pastor and get his ad-  
vice and use or misuse same. I fear I would not  
have sense enough or grace enough to act wisely  
in all things, therefore, I would move to Pecker-  
wood Holler or somewhere else and eliminate my-  
self from temptations.—Stigler.

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CALL TO PRAYER  
President W. W. Hamilton,  
Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La.

The calling of the nation to prayer by President  
Roosevelt was met by a general and genuine re-  
sponse on the part of our Southern Baptist pas-  
tors and people. In our churches and schools and  
homes and in other assemblies there was confes-  
sion of our sins, and there was earnest interces-  
sion for those in authority and for those in service  
and for ourselves. Our prayer was also that God's  
people who are called by His name shall humble  
themselves and pray and seek His face and turn  
from their wicked ways.

As president of our Southern Baptist Convention  
I am earnestly urging that we continue our prayer  
every day, morning and evening, in the secret  
place, in the morning watch, at the family altar,  
at our church worship periods, as we go about our  
daily duties, and as we wake in the night. Let us  
"pray without ceasing." Paul says, "I exhort  
therefore that first of all, supplications, prayers,  
intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for  
all men; for kings, and for all that are in author-  
ity; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life  
in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and  
acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour." Again we are told that we should "pray every-  
where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and  
doubting."

The interests of God's kingdom are at stake.  
The freedoms for which Baptists have lived and  
died are at stake. The giving of the gospel to the  
peoples of the earth is at stake. Let us come  
daily and often to God in the name of our Lord  
Jesus Christ confessing and forsaking our sins.  
Let us turn from ungodliness and worldly con-  
formity, and let us pray that at whatever cost the  
message and power of the gospel may become  
known to every creature. Let us pray! Let us  
pray earnestly! Let us pray daily and without  
ceasing!

# NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND  
CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

HONESTY \* LOYALTY \* VICTORY

I  
In 1941 Christian Education receipts totalled  
\$100,000. We paid out \$136,000, which, of course,  
left a deficit of \$36,000. We simply carried this  
by drawing on our reserve. We borrowed no money  
from any outside source. At this writing the def-  
icit had been reduced on January 1, to \$33,417.05.  
Since that date other reductions have been made.  
We state this in line with our policy of giving  
Mississippi Baptists the truth about their business  
affairs.

II  
A most distressing thing, in our thinking, has  
been to find Mississippi Baptists in so many places  
"beaten in spirit." These cry in unison, "It can't  
be done,"—"We have failed before,"—"There is no  
use to try it," etc.

We do not criticize them. We sympathize with  
them. Spirit is a great thing, whether in an ath-  
lete, a home, a school, a church, or a denomina-  
tion.

The poet brings the message in these lines:

"If you think you're beaten, you are;  
If you think you dare not, you don't.  
If you'd like to win but think you can't,  
It's almost certain you won't.  
If you think you'll lose, you're lost;  
For out in the world you find  
Success begins with a fellow's will,  
When Christ has the whole man's mind.

"If you think you are outclassed, you are.  
You've got to think high to rise.  
You've got to be sure of yourself  
Before you can ever win a prize.  
Life's battles don't always go  
To the stronger or faster man.  
But, soon or late, the man who wins  
Is the man who thinks he can."

III  
We had an offer last September from a Nash-  
ville concern for refinancing our entire denomina-  
tional indebtedness. The same concern has handled  
some southwide refinancing. This means for the  
most part institutional debts. A low rate of interest  
is offered.

We have not followed it for the simple reason  
that would mean the end of the Now Club. We  
believe Mississippi Baptists want to get through  
with it. Also, that means this office would be sad-  
dled with the whole responsibility. Mississippi  
Baptists believe this office should be a state mis-  
sion office, as well as giving itself to other worth-  
while things.

In years past it has given itself largely to debt-  
paying.

We join many others in the belief there is a  
better way for the future.

IV  
The three words, "Honesty," "Loyalty," "Vic-  
tory," at the head of this column are very signifi-  
cant.

First, they are great words. They are meaning-  
ful.

Second, they point the way to success.

Third, they are the words on the three seals for  
attaching to the Now Club certificate, as annual  
payments to the Now Club are completed.

"Honesty" "Loyalty" "Victory"

BR  
In Macao, South China, are located the Graves  
Theological Seminary and the Mo Kwong School  
for the Blind, these two institutions having been  
moved from Canton when the Japanese occupied  
that city.

The Foreign Mission Board has just received the  
following cable from Missionary John L. Galloway  
in Macao: "Isolated. Telegraph salaries Seminary  
blind. Bank Nacional Ultramarine Lisbon transfer  
Macao. Notify families safe."

# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

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A letter from one of our Training School girls:  
Louisville, Kentucky

Dearest Mrs. Johnson:

It was such a thrill to have a letter from you. To me, you were a real mother when I first met you, and I am so glad to hear from people who are interested in things that are dear to me.

The Training School has a by far greater attraction for me now than it had when I came. Everything and everybody is lively here.

This is the busiest life I have ever lived in my life. There is so much to do. I sometimes believe that the days are shorter in Kentucky than we have in Mississippi. I never have time to prepare my lessons as I should. Visiting the girls here in the building is another thing that we are always going to do "next week."

I guess you think I had forgotten that you wanted to know what we consider the best points of the Training School. My comments now are quite different from what they would have been a few months ago. I am afraid that there was too much excitement about the new building at the first of school. We were so thrilled over it, and the old girls just could never compare or contrast it with the old one enough. I think then that I considered the building and equipment the best points. Now that we have lived here for awhile the building is lost behind the classroom work. The professors and student body make "House Beautiful." The faculty is the best point in my estimation. They are a "select" group, and without such a faculty the curriculum would not be as thorough as it is.

The spirit of the girls is the best that I have ever seen in a dormitory. This is just as it should be, because here we are all Christians striving to prepare to serve the same Master.

To me everything here is lively, and I am grateful to the Lord for having brought me here.

I am looking forward to your visit in February. I will not go home for Christmas, so it will be especially nice to see some one from Mississippi.

Love,

EDNA HICKMAN.

Happy

Christmas

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."  
Luke 2:11.

Feliz

Nazidad

We send you these greetings from the land of the Southern Cross with the wish that you may have the real joy and peace that is found in faithful devotion to Him whose star was seen in the east so long ago. This Christmas brings us much joy. It has been just a little over a year ago since we arrived in Uruguay. During this year we have seen great progress in the work in this field. There has been one new church organized. One new church building has been completed and another is nearing completion. A new field of service has been opened by the Goldfinches in Salto. There has been much growth in all parts of the work and many new preaching points have been started. The Gospel has been preached by use of loud speakers in the streets and has gone out over the radio to all parts of the country. There has been a big increase in both of these types of preaching. Just now we are beginning the summer campaign of evangelistic work in which many will hear the story of life and find the joy and peace of the Lord.

One of our greatest joys is that we are now able to take part in the work. The Lord has blessed us with health and the opportunity to study the language of the people and now we look forward to the next year with the hope of announcing the "glad tidings" to many.

Another joy is to know that you are praying for us and the work down here. We hope that

you will pray that we will have the guidance of the Holy Spirit in making our location in the work.

In these days of war and rumors of wars how we rejoice that there is a message from the Prince of Peace. Oh, that the world had heard that message! Our prayer is that God's people everywhere will be drawn closer to Him and that they will have a new vision of the one great need of this old world—the Gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Luke 2:14.

Yours in Him,

THE CARLISLES.

—BR—

## HOME MISSION BOARD TO OPEN WORK IN NATION'S CAPITAL

Taking into account what was termed "a problem of enlistment and missions of staggering proportions" in the nation's capital, the Home Mission Board on January 13 voted to launch at once a city mission program in Washington and the District of Columbia.

Called into special session by the board's president, Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, the administrative committee unanimously concurred in a request from the District of Columbia Baptist Association.

"The District of Columbia has increased in population 36% and the suburban areas 82% during the past ten years," said Rev. M. C. Stith, chairman of the executive committee of the District of Columbia Baptist Association, as he presented the petition to the Home Board.

The Home Mission Board, Rev. Stith pointed out, has recently inaugurated missions in other strategic urban centers, such as Atlanta and Houston. The capital city, he added, has needs to meet for which the Baptists are seeking every resource available.

A superintendent of city missions in Washington will be appointed, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Home Board executive secretary-treasurer, announced, as soon as details are approved by the Washington Association, which he expects to be soon.

—BR—

## IF CHRIST SHOULD KNOCK AT HITLER'S DOOR

If Christ should knock at Hitler's door  
And with His pleading lips implore  
For peace to gladden all the earth,  
In honor of the Savior's birth,

I wonder what he would reply  
To such a prayer from Him on high.  
I wonder if hell's potentate  
Would drive God's Hebrew from his gate.

So base a brute, so dwarfed a soul,  
Whose slimy speech no truths control,  
Would scorn the Son of God's request  
And rate him Jew, like all the rest.

If Christ should come to Hitler's Reich,  
His breast would feel a Prussian pike.  
Another cross might loom on high,  
Our Lord again, to crucify.

But Hitler's hate cannot avail.  
The faith of Christ shall never fail.  
The Fuehrer soon shall faint and fall,  
But Christ shall triumph over all.

DAVID E. GUYTON,  
Blue Mountain, Mississippi.

—BR—

East Moss Point—We had two additions last Sunday night. In December through regular church channels we received \$509.25.—Reporter.

## SOLDIER SERVICE

Our open house party for the soldiers last Friday evening was a huge success. Of the 170 men who have already arrived at the base more than half attended. To be exact, we had more than a hundred. They had a good time playing games, singing, and getting acquainted with our people. Yesterday we had a splendid representation of the men at the services, Sunday school, B. T. U., and worship. Three young men united with the church. We have had a number of men every day since we opened our recreational rooms to come and use the facilities we are offering.

A brief outline of our work includes the following:

1. Recreational rooms open daily from 2 o'clock until 9:30 o'clock p. m., with hostess in charge.

2. These rooms will offer reading and writing facilities, with good books, magazines, papers and periodicals, including all of our Sunday School Board's periodicals and many others put out by our denominational agencies. Writing materials, such as stationery, pens, ink, writing tables and typewriter, will be furnished free. The games provided are quiet table games, such as ping pong, table tennis, table soccer, table polo, badminton, checkers, Chinese checkers, chess, Chinese top, etc. No games which have acquired evil associations will be introduced, such as pool tables, spot cards, dice, etc.

3. Once a week, or as often as we find it advisable after we have tried it out, we propose to have a supervised social occasion. This we hope to have on Thursday nights regularly. Our local people, particularly our young people, will participate in these socials.

4. A parlor has been provided, with lounges, comfortable chairs, radio, victrola, magazines, etc., for the accommodation of those who wish to come and relax, or read, or enjoy fellowship with a few friends. Chaperoned dates will also be offered. That is, local young women, who have no home, or suitable place to date their soldier friends in, may use this parlor, if they wish, and will be assured of proper chaperonage.

5. All of this social and recreational program provided leads up to the main objective we have in view, namely, bringing the men into the life of the church through the bona fide organizations of the church—through the Sunday school, B. T. U., music, worship, etc. We cannot hope for the soldiers to get much out of the program if they do not put something into it. We shall promote it throughout on that principle.

6. We plan also to promote through the chaplains at the base, on the air base grounds, all Christian activities and services they will allow. If they will give us one night a week at their chapels, call it Baptist Night, and we find it meets a definite response from the men, we expect to accept that, using the churches throughout this area and their talent, to furnish this feature. Revival meetings at the proper times and places should be held. This also should come under our plans. Outstanding preachers should be enlisted to hold these meetings.

(Mississippi Baptists will appreciate the above words from Dr. J. D. Franks regarding the service to soldiers, rendered by First Church, Columbus.)

—BR—

Religion Tested: Four weeks after Rev. R. M. Averitt, Home Board missionary to the Indians in Alabama, had preached a certain sermon, some of his members said to him: "We have put to the test what you preached a month ago and we have found that it worked in our lives."

Many churches made early definite plans to use these books in schools of missions as soon as their publication was announced, letters from all over the South revealed.

## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

### Help Wanted

Some weeks ago requests for Sunday school study course awards came to us for Miss Rosalie Biggs, Miss Myrtice Anderson, and Mr. A. L. Denton. We thought the address was one of the Jackson churches, but have not been able to locate these three people in a Jackson church.

If someone will help us get the correct address for them, we shall be so grateful. We have the awards in the office of the Sunday School Department.

### And More

Requests for standard recognition continue to come in at a very lively clip—and that is just as we would have it, and just as it should be.

The Beginner department at Louisville has joined the ranks of standard Beginner departments in the state. Miss Ida Woods is the superintendent of this fine department. Congratulations to each of these workers.

We now need only eight more standard Beginner departments to reach our 1942 goal. Come on, Beginner superintendents, and help us reach this goal.

### Classes Too

The Esther Young People's class, Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, Mrs. A. L. Burns, teacher, has again become standard.

And these Adult classes have also joined: Phebean, Brookhaven, Mrs. J. B. West, teacher; Faithful Workers, Philadelphia, Mrs. D. D. Hopkins, teacher; T. E. L., Newton, Mrs. Doyle Waldrop, teacher; Fidelis, Itta Bena, Mrs. R. F. Love, teacher; Gleaners, Lambert, Mrs. R. W. Porter, teacher.

To all these fine classes we extend sincerest thanks for this excellent record of work.

### And Schools

These schools have become standard for 1942 during the last few days: Pace, E. G. Evans, pastor, Mrs. W. S. Redden, superintendent; Ackerman, Van H. Hardin, pastor, H. L. Rhodes, superintendent; New Zion (Choctaw County), J. W. Kitchens, pastor, S. M. King, superintendent; Bunker Hill (Marion County), W. E. Winstead, pastor, J. A. Johnston, superintendent; Griffith Memorial, Jackson, L. W. Ferrell, pastor, J. L. Mahaffey, superintendent; Columbus East End, W. L. Marsh, pastor, Fred Allen, superintendent.

To the faithful workers in all these schools, we want to express our sincere thanks for the fine work in keeping your schools up to this good rating. There are literally scores of schools in Mississippi that should do the very same thing that these schools have done. January is the first month of the new year, and an excellent time to check up on the standard and see if there are any short points, and if there are, make plans for reaching all of them within a short time. Set a date for reaching the standard and work to do it by that time.

Brother superintendent, check up on your school NOW and see where you stand on these ten vital and challenging points for your school.

Application blanks may be had for schools, departments, classes on request.

### Primaries Coming

Last year there were more standard Primary departments in the state than any of the other Elementary departments. It seems that 1942 has started out that way for we have just received the application for the third standard Primary department, and it comes from Ackerman where Mrs. J. E. Carr is the capable superintendent. Congratulations to her and her workers on this fine accomplishment.

### New School

Rev. C. L. McKay, pastor at Van Winkle, has led in the organization of a new Sunday school on the Clinton Boulevard. This will help meet the spiritual needs of many people in that section not now reached by any of the churches. The Sunday School Board was glad to give free the first quarter's literature to this school, just as they are for any new school anywhere.

One of the chief reasons for the good increase in Sunday school enrollment in Southern Baptist Sunday schools in recent years is due to the fact that hundreds of new and mission schools have been established in all sections of the country. We need many more even yet. Think of the tens of thousands of unreached people in our territory—and many of them will never be reached by the existing churches. The more working units we have—both in a local church and in the association—the more people will we reach.

So, then, every new school organized is giving Bible teaching opportunity to more people. And, every school will have some people to attend it. Therefore, the need everywhere for more schools, as well as for more classes and departments in schools we now have.

### Libraries

Another of the very encouraging features is the rapid growth of church libraries. The slogan of the country now is: "Keep 'em Flying." A good slogan for our churches would be: "Keep 'em Reading."

One's life is influenced by what he reads, and mightily influenced. With all the trashy, filthy, degrading literature abroad in the land today, we surely need all the good reading we can get, and have it so that the largest possible number of people may have easy access to it. A church library provides just that very thing. The Sunday School Board gives free books for new libraries. Write for this information.

### Two More

Two other schools have sent in their applications for the standard award. They are: Hopewell (Copiah County), no pastor at present, Roy P. Jarrell, superintendent; and New Liberty (Tishomingo County), C. C. Perry, pastor, W. D. Allred, superintendent.

We are indeed glad to welcome these additional schools to the stan-

## HEARD AT THE STATE CONVENTION

By Bruce H. Price

Some deacons think their only work is to serve the Lord's Supper and attend the monthly meeting.—O. R. Mangum.

Every church member is largely responsible for the conditions that exist about us.—E. L. Spivey.

"Moody robbed hell of half a million souls," and "John Wesley was out of breath searching for souls."—Quoted by John W. Kincheloe, Jr.

We can accomplish more by prayer than we can accomplish in any other way.—J. D. Moore.

A man may believe the Bible from cover to cover and never uncover the truth it contains.—O. T. Binkley.

One can be a perfectly good American and be a miserably poor Christian.—S. L. Stealey.

If there was ever a time this convention needed prayer it is now.—William Harrison Williams.

During the year ahead we shall keep our emphasis on worship and evangelism.—M. A. Huggins.

Anyone cannot be a Christian apart from the ministry of the Holy Spirit.—Forrest C. Freezor.

It was out of the believers in the local church that foreign missions had its beginning.—Ralph Herring.

—Biblical Recorder.

—BR—

### MRS. LINNIE LOWREY RAY

By David E. Guyton

After two and a half years of almost intolerable suffering, yet borne with beautiful Christian fortitude, Mrs. Linnie Lowrey Ray of Blue Mountain, 85, daughter of the late Gen. Mark Perrin and Sarah Holmes Lowrey, ended her years of anguish just in time to pass Christmas in heaven. She had long been eagerly hoping and earnestly praying for the privilege to go back to God.

In her early life, she married the late Rev. Leon Ray, a consecrated young Baptist minister who died at the dawn of his promising career, leaving a youthful widow with a little daughter, now Miss Nora Lee Ray, teacher of English in Blue Mountain College. Mrs. Ray identified herself with Blue Mountain College, founded by her father and mother, her own Alma Mater and in whose service she remained as teacher of music and matron for most of her long and useful life.

Besides influencing for good the students of this great institution Mrs. Ray was for decades one of the most potent factors in the membership of Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, being an unfailing worshipper at almost every service for more than half a century, serving for years as President of its W.M.S., rendering constructive service to its Sunday School, and cheerfully giving of herself and her substance to every worthy cause down to the twilight of her days.

Mrs. Ray, like her gallant father, her noble mother and her devout and dynamic brothers and sisters, was a benediction to everybody who knew her. She was modest and diffident in manner and demeanor, but uncompromising in character, a woman of deep conviction and with the will to back up her faith with deeds of unfailing righteousness. Mrs. Ray was a friend to everybody, rich and poor alike, vitally concerned for the

dard list, that is so rapidly growing during these first days of 1942.

If you have not already done so, get your application filled out, signed, and mailed to us at an early date so that your school may also get the encouragement that comes from reaching this fine program.

spiritual welfare of people of every race and condition. The Bible to Mrs. Ray was the living word of the living God, and God was just as real to her as was her own daughter, her neighbors, and the very breath she breathed. Like Enoch of old, she walked with God, talked with God and lived, day by day, the Sermon on the Mount. She trusted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and led others to trust in her Lord.

Mrs. Ray died in December. Her funeral, a sweet and simple exercise, was held in Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church. She was laid to rest in Blue Mountain Cemetery under a wilderness of flowers. Mrs. Ray loved flowers, and grew them all her life; and those who knew her best must have made her happy in heaven, heaping floral tributes on her new-made grave. But Mrs. Ray is not dead. Such people never die. She has just gone back to God and to her loved-ones gone before; and the beautiful life that she lived on earth is pulsing still in souls made better because she passed their way.

## Asthma Agony

Don't rely on smokes, sprays and injections if you suffer from terrible recurring, choking, gasping, wheezing spells of Asthma. Thousands of sufferers have found that the first dose of Mendaco usually palliates Asthma spasms and loosens thick strangling mucus, thus promoting freer breathing and more restful sleep. Get Mendaco in tasteless tablets from druggists, only 60c. Money back guarantee unless fully satisfied.

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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By  
BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson for January 25

### THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS

Bible Texts: Matt. 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13.

Introduction. Read the passages listed above, and then answer to yourself these questions: Why did the devil select the particular time he did to tempt Jesus? Why did Satan tempt Jesus at all? What purpose had Satan in view? Could Jesus, He being God, have yielded to temptation? Had Jesus yielded, how would His yielding have affected you and me, if at all? Do you see any resemblance between the temptation of Jesus and the temptation of Eve? What is the effect upon a Christian of his yielding to temptation? What is the effect upon his church, his family, of the yielding of a Christian to temptation? Make a list of ways in which a Christian can win victory over temptation.

#### I. The Setting of the Temptation. Matt. 4:1-2.

The source of temptation is an evil personality, the devil. He lays hold of his intended victim through the medium of his natural appetites and appetencies, solicits him through his desires. A temptation is a solicitation originating in an evil personality, urging the one tempted to do something which, viewed simply in itself, may appear to be right, but, which, when tried by a higher law is seen to be wrong. For instance, man does live by bread, food. He has to have it, if he is to live. What harm is there, then, in obtaining it and in eating it? If there be hard, and if the solicitation to obtain and eat it, be a temptation to sin, it is because of some circumstance connected with the obtaining and the eating which make those actions a violation of the will of God.

In this temptation, our Lord was led by the Spirit of God. God allowed Satan to tempt our Lord, to test Him, to try Him, to prove Him. We may reverently say that the Lord's purpose is to strengthen the Lord of our lives, here, while the devil's purpose is to destroy Him in His capacity of Saviour.

Our Lord was tempted in "the wilderness." Tradition has fixed upon a mountain some six or eight miles from the scene of Jesus' baptism, and a short distance west of the city of Jerocho. The region is desolate, the scene lonely, most likely to oppress the heart with a feeling of helplessness.

Here in this lonely place, the devil tempted our Lord. Satan's never-varying purpose is to prevent the progress of the Kingdom of God.

The temptation occurred when our Lord was weak and hungry, at the end of a fast of 40 days. The devil here had all the advantage of natural surroundings, the weakness, the hunger, the loneliness, of our Lord. He was at His weakest. It was thus that the devil at his strongest assaulted our Lord at His weakest.

#### II. The Temptation. Read Bible Passages.

Someone has called the temptation to turn stones into bread, a temptation to undermine confidence, a lack

of confidence in God, a lack of faith that God will provide the necessities of His servant-Son. He has a right as the Son of God to satisfy His hunger. God has not furnished Him the means of doing so. Now, let the Son exercise His own right and authority over nature. It is a temptation to satisfy natural craving outside of the will of God.

A few nights ago, there stumbled onto the porch of my little church a poor old derelict in search of a place where he could warm himself and dry the clothes he had wet and muddied when he had fallen in the gutter. He was in a sorry plight into which he had fallen through his having striven to satisfy a natural appetite. It is by yielding to natural cravings that erstwhile pure and sweet young women become soiled and sordid. The bum, the bandit, all wrecks of men become so by striving in some way to satisfy a natural craving. "Man does not live by the law of his appetite alone, man does not by the gratification of his natural cravings alone, but by every law that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

2. A temptation to presumption. "O I am a Christian, therefore, I have the liberty of the sons of God, therefore, I can do as I please, and God will excuse it. I can ignore the laws of God and it will be all right." This temptation to leap down from a pinnacle of the temple is a temptation to over-confidence. Many a preacher has gone to the devil along this line, forgetting that a sin in the pew may be no more grave than a sin in the pulpit, and many a fine lady has fallen through presuming that a yielding to the clamor of insistent passion upon the part of some poor shop girl may be no more heinous in the sight of God than a yielding to a like clamor upon the part of the leading soprano in the choir. "Why, you are the Son of God. Jump off here! God will not let you down! He will hold you up!" But our Lord made answer, "I will not presume upon the goodness of my God. I know He cares for me, but I am not going about in his foolish way to make Him prove it. I know He loves me without His having to prove it to me at all."

3. A temptation to withdraw the confidence from God and place it in someone or something else. "Fall down and worship me." Put your trust in me, and I'll give you everything you want." How many a candidate for office in Mississippi has listened to that voice! How many a one has listened and lost, has lost whether he was counted into office or counted out of it!

In Louisiana here, I have known one who stepped down out of a pulpit into a senatorial seat, accepting what he thought was high place, and doing homage for it to the political powers at that time dominant in the state. The poor chap's life-blood dyed the highway, and his end was very sad.

Get you nothing by doing obeisance to the devil. He will expect in exchange for what he gives you an obedience which will rob you of all self-respect, all honor with your fellows, all power with God.

—BR—

Mrs. Johns: My little boy is very rough. He's always poking into things and pulling things to pieces. I don't know what to do with him.

Mrs. Cups: Why not make him a dentist?

### TODAY'S OPPORTUNITIES

Surely it would not be considered over-emphasis to call attention again to the very serious situation particularly confronting Young People's classes and departments over the South. Some weeks ago an appeal went forth regarding two great matters: (1) That every church would compile a list of the young men away in military service (or defense industries) and send them each quarter the vest pocket lesson commentary **On Duty**, (2) That each church would seek to promote vigorously a Replacement Drive for Young People, reaching large numbers of young people thus far unenlisted by the Sunday school.

The actual declaration of war by our nation bringing an increased number of men into the armed forces but adds urgency to these suggestions. Never before have we sustained greater opportunities or heavier responsibilities in our work with young people. It is clear that definite action by our churches is demanded if we are to meet and fulfill our obligations. Every church is affected and every church shares in a mutual responsibility. Every church will desire to supply its own young men with every possible means of sustaining spiritual life under exceedingly difficult conditions. Such sustaining will the more fully build up and preserve a morale in our forces and even more will conserve these young men with their powers and abilities for the succeeding generation. Some loose thinking ex-army officer is reported to have said that what our armed forces need is **morale not morals**. Who has ever known of dissipation and undisciplined living developing good soldiers or anything else? It has on the contrary been at the base of the collapse of all great empires and individual lives. Therefore whatever can be done by our churches for the spiritual welfare of our boys in uniform is perhaps our greatest contribution to the cause of liberty. We can afford to do no less.

#### A Practical Plan

Growing out of expressions from the various state and Southwide workers at the recent meeting in Nashville come the following suggestions:

1. Let each church make some one person definitely responsible for listing and supervising the church's

ministry to all young men away in the country's service. Perhaps the Young People's department superintendent would be most suitable.

2. Let this responsible individual see that a sufficient number of the special lesson treatment, **On Duty**, is ordered and sent each quarter to all men thus listed.

3. Seek to locate through the men from your own church others in the camps who would appreciate and profit from **On Duty** and include them each quarter.

4. Urge regular communications with these young men from various departments of church life, send the church bulletins, class papers and in every way help them to know of the interest the church has in them.

5. To do what should have been done all along but made more imperative now by enforced losses in the young people's division, let each church launch a vigorous **Replacement Drive** for young people. With two on the outside for every one in Sunday school we should do our best to reach them now—before yet others are called away for duty on the land, sea, or in the air.

In all of the above matters every church can be of great help. As Dr. Holcomb has well said, **On Duty** and other religious materials will be much more appreciated by our boys when they are received from their church than otherwise. Many churches are finding it helpful to send **Open Windows** along with **On Duty** to their boys in service and this seems especially helpful inasmuch as these daily devotions are centered around the Sunday school lessons.

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### DEFENSE BOUNDS Mississippi Baptist Soldier Works Make Progress

The United States Army Basic Flying School at Greenville is in operation and Chaplain Jewell D. Foster looks after the spiritual life of the cadets there. We are in touch often with Chaplain Foster. At his request we have sent weekly Baptist Records and Gospel tracts and have furnished other information for this fine army chaplain.

Greenville has a Soldier Center and other soldier facilities. The churches at Greenville are all cooperating in the Baptist Soldier Program.

At Columbus, Mississippi, the First Baptist Church with Dr. Jesse Franks as pastor has a real soldier program in full swing. There is located near Columbus a large United States Army Air Base.

Each Thursday evening on the street floor of the church building a well supervised recreational program can be found in progress. A large group of the young men quartered there take advantage of this program. The churches also are ministering earnestly to the spiritual welfare of these men.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board expects to help in the work in a financial way as soon as funds are made available. The Baptist Record, Gospel tracts and writing materials have already been furnished to the church for the soldiers.

At Meridian is located Keys Field, another United States Army Air Base. Chaplain Hood is doing a splendid work for Uncle Sam among the men stationed at this field. He had been ably assisted by the Baptist churches and their pastors in Meridian. Dr. Norman W. Cox has been very enthusiastic about the soldier work in Meridian and also in other training centers in Mississippi. The First Baptist Church of which Dr. Cox is pastor has seen that the boys were invited to the churches and to the homes, and has provided for a fellowship hour following the evening services in his church for the soldiers and young people. Gospel tracts and Baptist Records and writing materials have been furnished here by the State Board.

On the Gulf Coast at Pascagoula where Uncle Sam has launched a great ship building program, the First Baptist Church, with Dr. L. E. Green as pastor has been working hard to see that the civilian defense workers at the yard were cared for. A large number of these workers and their families are members of Dr. Green's church. The First Baptist Church has assisted in leading the Crane Memorial Baptist Church from a Baptist Mission into a well organized church where Sunday School, preaching and training services are being held each Sunday during the month. A pastor was to be called to full time work here, during December.

Another Mission will soon be started in the Housing Project here. Materials have been purchased and a lot for the building. These projects have had the support of the State Board in a financial way.

At Biloxi, Mississippi, is Keesler's Field. The United States Government has a Technical Air School here

where thousands of fine young men are learning how to "Keep Them Flying." The First Baptist Church has as its pastor Dr. G. C. Hodge, who has led his church into one of the greatest soldier programs in the state. Here they have recreational facilities, library, fellowship hours, devotional periods, song services, Sunday School and a worship program probably reaching more young men from this school than any other single church in Mississippi. The State Board is also helping here in a financial way and furnishing Gospels and writing material.

Hattiesburg, Mississippi, is known to all as the home of one of the largest Army Training Centers in the United States. This base is Camp Shelby. The First Baptist Church of Hattiesburg has granted large quarters for recreational and social activities which are under the splendid supervision of Rev. M. E. Perry, evangelist. The State Board has furnished many of the recreational supplies used in these rooms in addition to Gospels, writing material and other such things as needed. Dr. T. D. Brown will assume the responsibilities as pastor here the first Sunday in February and is a man whose heart yearns to help the many young men in the Camp Shelby area.

The Baptist Churches of Forest, Stone and Lamar Counties which compose the Lebanon Association are also having a part in this fine work. Hattiesburg has been building her soldier programs slowly in order to find the best methods and available quarters for the work. Since the completion in furnishing the rooms at the First Baptist Church, it is expected that the program here will be one of our best in the state.

The Jackson Air Base has for its chaplains Capt. M. D. Kilver and Lt. Charles Quest. Practically all of the Jackson Baptist Churches have been cooperating in enlisting the men stationed here in the church services. The First Baptist Church and the Calvary Baptist Church both have social and fellowship programs each week. The Soldier Center in Jackson has been furnished stationery for the boys to write home by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. The spiritual welfare of the men has been carefully looked after by the churches of all denominations in Jackson.

At Flora, Mississippi, just north of Jackson, our government is building an enormous ordnance plant where thousands of civilian workers have been employed in construction work. This plant will not be in operation for months to come. As yet our defense workers' program has not touched this point but we have promised help and will get to it in due time.

BY FRED R. LANGLEY,  
Supervisor of Soldiers and  
Defense Projects Service.

Sammy was not prone to overexertion in the classroom. Therefore his mother was both surprised and pleased when he came home with the announcement, "I got a hundred this morning."

"That's lovely dear," she said as she kissed the boy tenderly.

"What was it in?" she asked.

"Fifty in reading and fifty in spelling."

### CONDITIONS IN STATES HAVING LEGAL LIQUOR ARKANSAS

HEADLINE in Crittenden County Times, Dec. 10, 1937: "Drinking and drunkenness have increased since hard liquor was legalized. Big increase registered after liquor came back in 1935." Under the headline, "Arrests for drunken driving and drunkenness in Crittenden County for the years 1936 and 1937 to date show an increase of more than 100% over the previous two years."

COUNTY OFFICIAL, ST. FRANCIS COUNTY: "Conditions are twice as bad in St. Francis County as they were before hard liquor was legalized."

MRS. C. H. RAY, Executive Secretary, Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas: "I consider the old-time saloon preferable to present conditions in our state."

HARD LIQUOR was legalized in 1935. Early in 1937 the legislature passed a bill prohibiting admission of an alcoholic into the state hospital for nervous diseases. Reason given for such a law was that AFTER hard liquor was legalized the institution was crowded beyond capacity and some relief measure was imperative. Since passage of the bill, alcoholics are placed in county jails or on county farms.

BOOTLEGGING IN THE STATE: The Arkansas legislature (wet) passed a bill in March, 1941, of which Section 7 reads in part: "Whereas, it has been ascertained that large quantities of 'moonshine' intoxicating liquors are being manufactured and sold in the state of Arkansas. . . ."

LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS: 67 elections have been held and liquor was voted out in 55 of the 67. 16 counties voted, 12 dry and 4 wet. Some dry majorities are given: A county, 710 dry, 56 wet; a township, 193 dry, 8 wet; a town, 111 dry, 1 wet; a township, 109 dry, 0 wet. In the county voting 710 to 56 the election is being contested. As elsewhere nearly all local option elections, regardless of majorities, are contested, if won by dry forces.

#### Virginia

HOSPITAL REPORTS show that alcoholic cases increased over 500% in Staunton, Va., and 700% in Peters-

### INVERNESS W. M. U. HOLDS MEETING

The Inverness Baptist W. M. U. held its first meeting of the new year at the church Monday, January 5. For devotional Mrs. Sledge, Associational Superintendent from Sunflower, brought a beautiful message from Psalms 33:12. She used as a basis for her talk, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

A short business session was held with the president, Mrs. J. D. Pratt, presiding. A beautiful and impressive installation service was observed in which fourteen officers were installed. Mrs. Sledge acted as installing officer using "The Cross" as the theme of the service. As she reminded each officer of her duties she handed her a cross. As each officer received it Fay Pratt turned on a light in an electric cross to which the officers turned as Raddie Rose Parker and Mattie Upchurch sang "The Old Rugged Cross." Another impressive feature of the program was a solo, "My Task," sung by Mrs. Street Toler, accompanied by Miss Thelma Wallace.

Mrs. Minter presented Mrs. Sledge with a gift from the society as a token of love and appreciation of her as their leader and of her presence at the first meeting of the year. Mrs. Sledge responded beautifully.

With beautiful words Mrs. Price presented Mrs. Minter with a lovely gift from the society as a token of appreciation of her long service as secretary.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. J. D. Pratt after which delicious refreshments were served and a very pleasant social hour was enjoyed.

burg, Va., state hospitals after liquor was legalized.

POLICE COURT records show that drunkenness cases in courts increased 110% average for 13 cities in four months under state liquor stores.

THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT of public safety shows that permits revoked for drunken driving increased 666% under legalized liquor.

FEDERAL REPORTS show that illicit stills destroyed in the state increased from 418 in 1934 to 1187 in 1936—two years.

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**THE HARVEST FIELDS ABOUT US!**  
(Sermon Delivered at the Newton  
County Association October 22,  
1941, by C. B. Hamlett, III)

Scripture: John 4:27-42  
Text: John 4:35

The disciples, when they went forward to buy provisions in Sychar, left Jesus sitting on Jacob's well, wearied and faint. On their return they found Him, elated and full of renewed energy. While they were gone Christ had found one who believed Him and His message; this renewed His strength and gave Him "fresh life." The disciples on their return are busy eating their own meal; they talk of the rich harvest fields through which they have passed; and perhaps they eagerly suggest the harvest of the Kingdom which is awaiting their arrival in Galilee. **They must needs go through Samaria, but their thoughts are not of the opportunities of Samaria, but of Galilee.** But Jesus all of this time has His eyes fixed with an expectant look upon the fields that lie before Him in the direction of Sychar. His thoughts are concerning the woman who has accepted His way. Will she lead others to know Him? What about the recent ministry of John the Baptist in this region? Has it prepared the people for Him? Oh yes, He was on His way to Galilee, but now His thoughts are about Samaria through which He is passing—His thoughts were on the immediate opportunity before Him. About this time He sees the men of Sychar coming out of the town through the fields of grain. They are coming in obedience to the request of the woman: "Come see a man which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?" It is then that Jesus interrupts the thoughts of His disciples: "Were you not saying that it was about four months to harvest time; were you not discussing the harvest for the kingdom which is soon to take place in Galilee? Lift up your eyes and see the eager crowd of Samaritans and say if you may not this very day expect to reap much? Are not the fields already white unto harvest? Here in Samaria, which you wished to pass through quickly, where you were looking for no additions to the Kingdom, and where you might suppose sowing and long waiting were needed, you see the ripened grain. Others have labored, John the Baptist, this woman, and I, and ye have entered into their labors." The disciples in their expectation of their labors in Galilee were forgetting to labor in Samaria. They were neglecting the immediate task. They were anxiously looking forward to a great harvest in Galilee, and were overlooking the "fields which were white unto harvest" in Samaria.

We, Southern Baptists, are guilty of the same neglect. Too often, we have been overlooking the "fields that are white unto harvest" at our very door—the association. In our Baptist democracy we have built up some marvelous boards and agencies, both in our State Conventions, and in our Southern Baptist Convention; and these boards and agencies have been most efficient in the carrying on and advancement of Kingdom work. Because of the independent sovereignty of each of our churches, and because of the "democracy which we demand and enjoy," it is only through the volunteer co-operative effort which these boards and agencies represent

that we, as a Kingdom people, could accomplish a worthy work in His Name. But in recent years we have been neglecting one of the basic units of our Baptist democracy—the association. Just as the church is the only unit in our Baptist democracy that can touch the individual believer to the fullest extent and cultivate best his growth in Kingdom work. In recognition of this fact our Southwide Sunday School and Training Union Departments began last year (1940) a four-year program in which the emphasis is being placed upon the organization and development of the associational Sunday School and Training Union worker. If ever we, as a Baptist people, are to accomplish what is expected of us by our Lord in the world mission program, we are going to have to strengthen our associations. While our minds are filled with the work on foreign and home and state fields, let us even now lift up our eyes on the fields all about us in our association for they are white already unto harvest.

I.—Let us look at some of the fields that are already white unto harvest.

1. We do not have to look to some far away Galilee to find opportunities for evangelism. There are hundreds of souls steeped in sin; there are men and women who have never decided for Christ; there are young people who are neglecting the opportunities that are theirs to choose Christ Jesus; there are many who need personal witnessing to; there are many for whom we should intercede at the "mercy seat"—all in this very association. The 1940 minutes of our association show that four of our 23 churches failed to baptize a single individual; that our 23 churches and our 3920 church members won only 186 to Christ. In other words, that it took more than 21 Christians to win one single soul to Christ. Don't ever fool yourself by saying that there just are not any evangelistic possibilities—take a religious census!

2. We need not look to some far away place to find the need for the purifying righteous influence of Christ Jesus. The destructive, deteriorating, depraved conditions caused by Satan and all his cohorts are present within the bounds of our own association. There are homes that are being wrecked by lustful desires; covetousness that is driving many individuals to ruin; there is corruption and dishonesty in business and government; there are "honky-tonks," and houses of ill-fame, all in the bounds of this association. How we need the X-raying, purifying, transforming, regenerating, redeeming light of Christ Jesus!

3. We need not look far off in the distance to find the need for the development of better "stewardship among our people." According to the 1940 minutes all 23 of our churches gave to all causes a mere \$19,361.83, which is not quite \$4.94 per member. We didn't even reach the average for Southern Baptists, which was a mere \$7.91—we were \$2.97 short! When we look at our gifts to missions, every one of us needs to hang his head in shame. Ten of our 23 churches didn't send a cent to the Co-operative Program. The 13 that did sent only \$1,331.06, or just a bit more than .36 cents per member. Three of our churches did not report any gifts to missions at all. The total given to

missions was \$3,048.57 or just a bit more than 81 cents per member. The Department of Commerce shows that the per capita income for the United States was \$525 and that for the South was more than \$330. It is not because we do not have it—but because we refuse to give!

4. We need not look far away into the distant blue to find the need to develop our Kingdom program. Of our 23 churches only three are full-time; three are half-time, and 17 are fourth-time. There are only 18 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 1878 or about one person in Sunday school for every two church members. There are only five churches with a Training Union and only seven with any unions at all. The total enrollment of the Training Unions is 562 or about one person for every seven church members. Our associational W. M. U. superintendent informs me that there are only 11 W. M. U.'s out of our 23 churches. The man-power and the manhood of our churches is almost completely unorganized. Oh, yes, the fields in our own association are white unto harvest.

II.—Not only are they white unto harvest in our association, but there is the urgency of immediate action; they need harvesting at once, "for they are white already unto harvest."

1. Jesus in such a statement was telling His disciples that they could not turn their backs upon those who were coming out to see the Messiah.

2. Jesus, I believe, would remind us today that we must not turn our backs upon the opportunities which lie before us, but we must plan to do something now.

III.—These white fields all about us and the urgency of harvesting them now, because they are already white unto harvest, presents two problems.

1. There must be laborers to reap the harvest. Jesus before He sent out the twelve two by two on a preaching tour said: "The harvest is truly plentiful, but the laborers few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into the harvest." (Matt. 9:37-38.) Surely we need to pray for laborers—not just members, but laborers—men and women who are willing to spend some time and effort in Kingdom work.

"We need a word—a startling word—To call our workers forth to go:  
To go afield with hearts aflame,  
To visit in the Master's name,  
To go and seek and find and claim  
The souls of men for God.  
We need a word!

"We need a word—a graphic word—To send us forth our task to do:  
A word of strength and charm and might,  
A word for every day and night,  
A word with which to win the fight  
And bring men's souls to God.  
We need a word!

"We need a word—'tis Jesus' own—It calls in accents clear and true:  
'Lift up your eyes, white fields to see,  
Go out and witness there for me;  
I died for all upon the tree . . .  
Go seek the lost for God.'  
We have a word!"

2. There must be continuous labor. Jesus recognized the need for continuous labor while He was here: "I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh,

when no man can work" (John 9:4). We must stay with the job; we must not slack up for a minute for the night cometh when we cannot work.

These white fields can only be harvested by continuous efforts on our part. Nothing worthwhile is accomplished by "spurts and flurries." One gains real victories merely by plodding on, and on, and on. . . . Jesus gained the glorious victory of the resurrection and ascension back to glory because He plodded on through victories and defeats, on through Gethsemane, on through the trial of mockery, on through the Via Delorosa, on through hours of agony on Golgotha's cross, on through days in the cold tomb—on and on to victory, the glorious victory of the Easter Morn. That is the way His Kingdom must be advanced.

Most of you recall the dramatic and powerful address of President Roosevelt, when he closed his campaign for re-election for the first time in 1936. After reviewing vividly the reforms and progress made in the social and economic fields, he closed with the challenging and ringing words: "We've just begun to fight!"

Most of us have the challenging words of grim determination of Prime Minister Churchill still ringing within our ears: "Give us the tools, and we'll finish the job."

Satan and all of his cohorts are present. He is whispering, why worry about the white fields of our association, after all you have your church to think about. . . . Why try to do any more? Why not just rock along, that is the easy way! Don't get excited about the Kingdom's work . . . better look out for yourself, no one will look out for you . . . take it easy."

Listen, Satan! Give heed all of the cohorts of Satan! We see the fields are white already to harvest. If you think we have done anything at all this year; if you think your wings have been clipped by our determined effort to bring His Kingdom in; if you think that we have put the sickle to harvest, take note of this one thing: **WE'VE JUST BEGUN TO FIGHT! AND BY THE GRACE OF GOD WE'LL GET THE TOOLS AND WE'LL FINISH THE JOB!**

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# Baptist Training Union

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## Brookhaven Elects Director

We are happy to add the name of Miss Blake Nations to our list of Training Union Directors. Miss Nations has recently been elected to the office of Training Union Director of the Brookhaven church. She is well qualified for the work, having been in Training Union for a number of years and serving in many capacities. She is one of the Associational Training Union officers also. We congratulate the Brookhaven church on their choice, and we also congratulate Miss Nations on the honor bestowed upon her by her church.

## Leake County Has Helpful Meeting

On Sunday afternoon, January 4th, the regular meeting of the Leake County Associational Training Union met with the Edenburg Baptist Church. The weather was cold and threatening, but even with that a good crowd gathered and a splendid program was presented. The Attendance Banner was awarded to the New Zion church who had forty present. Lena ran second with an attendance of twenty-seven. A number of Juniors took part in the Junior Memory Work Drill—all were perfect. Intermediates from Lena and New Zion took part in the Intermediate Sword Drill. Mrs. E. S. Cole of Philadelphia was guest speaker for the occasion and brought a helpful message on The Training Union Really Training Church Members.

## Philadelphia Training Unions Adopt Standards

Philadelphia is the first Union to write in saying that all the individual unions have adopted the Standard of Excellence. The Training Union has adopted the slogan "Every Union Standard in 1942." Along with this report comes the word from the director, Mrs. E. S. Cole, that all unions are getting ready for the District Convention and expect to be represented in the various drills we will have. They will feature these drills in their general assembly programs from time to time during the coming months.

## Wesson Unions Take the Honors Associational Meeting

The regular meeting of the Copiah County Associational Training Union was held at Crystal Springs on the afternoon of January 4th, and even though the weather was bad a good group gathered and enjoyed a splendid program. The Wesson church won the Attendance Banner, the Senior Banner and the Junior Banner. These Wesson Unions are strong in several points; especially, Daily Bible Readings, Preaching Attendance, Giving to the Church and Study Course. Wesson is doing a good part by the students in Copiah-Lincoln Junior College. Dr. Lowry, the pastor, is also teaching Bible in the College for all who desire it.

## Three-Sixty Awards Given In December

We issued 360 study course awards in December, and free literature was

given to fourteen newly organized unions for the month, 2 Story Hours, 2 Junior Unions, 4 Intermediate Unions and 4 Adult Unions.

## First Call For Volunteers

Plans are well under way to use sixty volunteer workers in the Training Union Department this summer. We will serve thirty associations. If you are interested in making your idle months contribute to the advancement of the Kingdom of God, and have had some Training Union experience we will be happy to have you volunteer for this service. We plan to use five weeks for this special program beginning June 27th and running through July 30th. We will have a pre-session for training which will begin June 23rd.

## Gloster Sets New Goals

Our last engagement before Christmas was with the Gloster church. Not a good time for an engagement, but it proved to be a successful week just the same. Pastor Bullard and Director Causey were right on the job and in place every night, after working at the job during the day in the interest of the class work. Mrs. Harvey of Liberty came over every evening to teach the class of Young People. Rev. and Mrs. Waggener of Centerville came and taught the Intermediates and Juniors, the Adult class being taught by your State Secretary. Plans for enlargement were started. These plans included a new union for young adults, enlargement in each existing union, and the intergraded service adopted. A report from the pastor says that plans are working out splendidly. Congratulations, and best wishes.

## Try Clark's Plan For Enlisting Attendance

Mr. Earl Clark is director of the Young People's Department at Parkway, Jackson. Since his election the department has steadily grown in attendance and efficiency. The WHY of it is simply this—Mr. Clark keeps a personal record of every member, that is his weekly record on the Eight Point Record System, and EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON Mr. Clark CALLS EVERY MEMBER in the department. He commends them on their good points, encourages them in doing better, and extends a cordial invitation to be there that night. Mr. Clark says it is worth while. He is interested in seeing his unions grow, and is happy to use his time in this practical way. Try it in your church!

## Book A Month Club

Why not begin the year with a new idea? What about a "Book A Month Club"? Let twelve of your members form this club, each member will buy one book, and read this book in January. The club will meet the first of each month through the year and exchange books so that each member has a different book to read each month. Only twelve books are bought, one by each member, but each member has the privilege of

## RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, The Bethel Baptist Association and its Executive Board had the efficient and cooperative service of Dr. W. S. Hardin, while he was pastor of the First Baptist church of Adairville, Kentucky, and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Hardin has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist church, Drew, Mississippi,

THEREFORE, Be it resolved, First, that we, the members of the Executive Board express our great regret that Brother Hardin has moved from us,

Second, We record with great pleasure the success he has attained in developing the activities of the church at Adairville during his ten years pastorate,

Third, We express our appreciation to the unselfish service he has rendered in the Association as Moderator, as the Leader of the One Hundred Thousand Club, and Director of the Daily Vacation Bible School and of other general work in the Association,

Fourth, That we commend Dr. Hardin to the church at Drew, Mississippi and to the Association with which the church is affiliated, as a wise leader, a good gospel preacher, true to the Word of God and a consecrated Christian. It is a pleasure also to commend Mrs. Hardin as a leader among the women, both in the Church and Association.

Fifth, Resolved finally, that a copy of these resolutions be presented to Dr. Hardin, that copies be given for publication in the Western Recorder of Kentucky, and in the Baptist Record of Mississippi, and also be reported to the next meeting of the Bethel Association.

E. L. Skiles,  
W. G. Welborn,  
F. M. Masters.

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## TO OUR MANY FRIENDS:

We have just observed our sixth anniversary as church and pastor. We have been very greatly blessed in our ministry here.

We have paid a balance of fourteen hundred dollars on our Sunday school annex, and built and paid for a nice six-room parsonage.

We are out of debt and our work is encouraging.

We have a good Training Union and W. M. U. and our Sunday School is a standard one and has been for three years.

Our church supports six native workers in the foreign field.

This is in addition to our support of the Cooperative Program. There have been 617 additions to the church with more than two hundred having been received for baptism. We have nothing to boast of for all the glory is to Him who has so wonderfully blessed us.

We enjoy The Baptist Record every week and rejoice in the success of the work there in Mississippi.

There is a wonderful spirit of fellowship in our work out here in the west.

Sincerely,

L. S. COLE, Refugio, Texas.

reading twelve good books during the year. The Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss., will be glad to furnish a list of books for your consideration. Here is a good one to start with—"A Truth in a Smile?" This is a book of story sermons by Dr. Clyde Turner, pastor at Greensboro, N. C. Dr. Turner is a favorite speaker in Southern Baptist groups, and you will find these stories rich and interesting, and in addition, much suggestive material in the way of illustrations will be valuable to leaders of unions. The price of this book is 75c.

## A LETTER FROM A CHAPLAIN IN ICELAND

By Chaplain P. E. Cullon  
The House

Oh, yes, the house. A large beautiful stone home, most of them are, with every convenience and everything in good taste. Some of the furniture was made to fit the curves in the living room. Most of it was modernistic and charming in its arrangement. The dining room furniture, and dishes and silverware, were in keeping with the rest of the house. The two knives were quite different in shape and of course I used the wrong knife first. Nothing was said but when the good lady of the house, who sat with us but got up to do the serving, took my first plate she took the two knives and brought one like the first one I used to be used for the rest of the meal. I guess I pulled another boner when I asked before we started if they would like for me to return thanks. The fine looking meal and the kindness of these friends made me ashamed not to want to return thanks. After I had asked the blessing, the host told me it was not customary in Iceland. The host and his wife have traveled in several countries in Europe and he attended school in England for a year. They hope to visit America after the war is over.

But the funniest thing in Iceland is the way these American Romeos get stalled on trying to go with the Iceland girls. It is hard for them to get the idea that they cannot go with these nice looking blonde girls. It is amusing to see the change that many undergo. Two nice looking chic blonde girls will go marching down the street and some conceited American soldier will put on his best strut and make goo-goo eyes at them. Not a flicker does he get from either. After a week or two of angling with all kinds of bait he gives up in despair and accepts the situation. A few get the sour grapes attitude and criticize the people. They cannot feel too badly when they consider the fact that Iceland boys do not walk down the street with Iceland girls. It is just not the custom. A little courting seems to be going on despite the Greta Garbo "I want to be alone" attitude of the people. Once in a while you see a girl hanging on to the sleeve of some uniform. Love may find a way yet. At the present, things look dark for the American and British would-be lovers.

If any of my friends who read your paper wish to write and ask me any questions about Iceland that I can answer, I will be glad to answer them through your paper or directly.

—BR—

Moe—What has become of that watch you used to carry—it had such a handsome gold case? Now you have one with a brass case.

Less—Yes, you know circumstances alter cases.

## FALSE TEETH

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BTU  
ATTENDANCE

Jackson First	1014	238
Jackson Calvary	1078	216
Meridian Highland	217	
Ellisville	182	
Paden	33	
East Side-Jackson	33	
Pinola	41	
Louisville	331	
Bruce	141	41
Brookhaven First	525	129
Courtland-Pilgrim's Rest	88	46
Eudora	68	55
Crystal Springs	337	108
West Side-Natchez	75	41
Sunflower	74	
Double Springs-Webster	54	
New Fellowship-Jasper	50	
Ackerman	99	
Calvary-Greenwood	128	
Spring Creek-Neshoba	78	57
Calvary-Tupelo	310	74
Wallerville	75	20
Morton-Springfield	143	71
Jackson-N. Side	159	44

BR—  
11,640,000 SOLDIERS ATTEND ARMY  
RELIGIOUS SERVICES DURING 1941  
RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION POPULAR

There was an attendance of nearly 11,640,000 soldiers at religious services at posts, camps and stations during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1941, according to a report to the War Department by Chaplain William R. Arnold, Chief of Chaplains. The average attendance at each service was 97.8 persons. The preceding year the average attendance was only 68.9.

The popularity of religious instruction at camp is also shown by figures for Bible class attendance. During the 1941 fiscal year 14,483 classes were held as against 888 the year before.

A chaplain has been placed with each unit of 1,200 or more men. In larger camps there is an Army chaplain for approximately each 1,200 men. The total number of chaplains was 1,330.

While units were on field duty or at maneuvers, Bible classes and services were held wherever a protected spot could be found.

Contacts with individual soldiers during the year averaged over 52 a day for each chaplain. This was a grand total of 25,385,115 contacts, but included only such as were of a nature sufficiently formal to be tabulated.

Besides this work, Army chaplains performed 2,237 marriages, 2,670 baptisms, and officiated at 3,172 funerals. Not counting these, 666,399 services and contacts were recorded; reaching or serving 29,455,902 persons during the year.

BR—  
Storing Up Grace

Religion has its best value for those who through years of steady practice store up in their souls grace to help in time of need.

It may be that two young men, or two young women, came down the avenue this morning. At the church door they halted. One came in to worship, the other went on to take a walk, to call on a friend, to do any one of a number of things.

Now you may ask me, "If you inspect each of those two tomorrow, could you tell which of them had been to church today?"

No; probably not. But let them keep on doing that, week after week, year after year, one keeping up the practice of religion and the other neglecting it, and anyone could tell the difference.—William P. Merrill, in Great Themes of the Christian Faith. Published by Richard R. Smith, Inc.

## MORE THAN CONQUERORS

"In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us." Rom. 8:37.

When armies are more than conquerors—there are spoils to be taken. Beloved, have you got them? When you went into that terrible valley of suffering did you come out of it with spoils?

To be more than conquerors is to take the spoils from the enemy and appropriate them to yourself. When Dr. Moon of Binghamton, England, was stricken with blindness, he said, "Lord, I accept this talent of blindness from Thee. Help me to use it for Thy glory that at Thy coming Thou mayest receive Thine own with usury." Then God enabled him to invent the Moon alphabet for the blind—by which thousands of blind people were enabled to read the Word of God and many were saved.

God did not take away Paul's thorn; He did better. He mastered that thorn and made it Paul's servant. "The Ministry of Thorns has often been a greater ministry to man than thrones."

In my long life I have watched many of God's servants come out of great conflicts more than conquerors—ready to use the spoils for greater service for the Master. Mississippi's own beloved Dr. J. B. Gambrell passed through the very depths of sorrow when his own son, Roderick, was murdered on the old bridge here in Jackson for his fight for prohibition. God used Dr. Gambrell in a wonderful way as a denominational leader—he came out of the tragic sorrow "more than conqueror through Him that loved us."

I am thinking now of one God is using in the great need of the hour—work among soldiers—Fred Langley. He has just passed through a trying experience. He came out of it more than conqueror. May God use the spoils he has gathered to His glory.

May our men fighting in this great and terrible war come out more than conquerors with spoils to lay at the Master's feet. And when our God says, "It is enough," may this world be ready for the Lord's coming.

My own experience my affliction finds my hands full of spoils to use for my Master—though the thorn is still there. I pray I can glory in my affliction if the power of Christ can rest on me. I am nearer my Lord than ever before and am "More than conqueror through Him that loved us."

MRS. J. T. COTTEN.  
Jackson, Miss.

BR—  
EDUCATION FOR TITHING

Any church can now put on a ten weeks' course of tithing education, in the midst of its other activities, and at a very small cost, according to the Layman's Tithing Foundation, 740 N. Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois. This philanthropic organization, which has distributed millions of pamphlets on the tithe, now announces an attractive new series at so low a price that distribution to an entire church through ten weeks costs only 3½ cents a family. A set of samples and full particulars are offered free of charge upon request, but this company asks that persons writing, after seeing this announcement, state their denomination, and also mention The Baptist Record.

LAYMAN'S TITHING FOUNDATION  
740 North Rush Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

## INVENTORY TIME

It is customary for our business houses and our industries to take inventory of their supplies at the closing of each year's business.

But have you ever heard of a person taking inventory of his life or the service he has rendered unto God? As we look about us today with sin so rampant, whiskey flowing so freely, wars and still more wars, is Jesus displeased with our services? Let us turn back in our Bibles to the book of Genesis, sixth chapter, the fifth verse, and see what God said and did even in the beginning.

"And God saw that man's wickedness was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil, continually."

If God saw that in the beginning of man's life and was displeased, is it not time for us to take inventory of ourselves? God's blue print was handed down from Him. It is in plain truth telling us the right and wrong of every thing. We are not forced to do either right or wrong; but God says if we live after Him and for Him, we shall be with Him forever.

Here I shall divide God's word in two parts—the right way and the wrong way. The right way I shall call the Christ way, "the path of righteousness"; the wrong way I shall call the Hitler way, "the path of sin." Hitler's laws and what he thinks were not handed down. They are made made and he says his commands must be obeyed. Also, he makes no promise for the hereafter. In the studying of God's blue print and the things we see day after day in the business, professional, political and Christian world, we wonder where we are and if we are not at cross road number two.

At the close of the World War in 1918, people were closer to God then, so much so that our Saviour was on the battlefield with our boys. He won the battle for them. He furnished the guns, the gas, the ships and everything they needed. He cleaned up the battlefield and all departed for America. But when we reached the shores of New York, I wish it were possible for me to show you the picture in my mind as Jesus stood there and watched the thousands and thousands of soldiers go their way. Oh! If we had not forgotten Jesus and left Him standing there, but instead had fallen down upon our knees and said, "Most gracious Lord, we thank thee for thy guidance, for thy protection, for the victory thou hast won for us. Go with us to our homes and be with us the remainder of our lives." That was the cross road number one and the World War number one. God's blue print can not be erased and the pages of the book of life can not be turned back.

If we had decided at the cross road number one in 1918 to travel the Christ way and subscribed the money then that we are raising now for defense, for the purpose of telling every foreign land about Jesus who died upon the cross and who has risen again, I feel sure that we would not be facing another war or the cross road number two. It is most alarming, "it seems," that most of the world doesn't know where they are. Little do we realize that the distance from earth to heaven is much greater for some of us be-

cause we are living out and away from Christ. All of which is very pleasing to Hitler but very displeasing to our Saviour.

With one hundred million gallons of whiskey in the U. S. A. storage, to say nothing about the bootleg liquor, all of which is being sold to our fine men, women, boys and girls; also our soldiers who must stand up under gun fire and the shocks of war, as a nation will we be able to do it if we travel the Hitler path of life? Can we keep in touch with God?

Must we pay from 1918 with sweat and blood and can we be victorious without Jesus dealing as we are with Hitler in our present war number two?

Would it not be more fitting to say "Remember 1918" than to say "Remember Pearl Harbor"?

Let us go back to 1918 and ask Jesus to forgive, to guide us in everything we say and do, to walk with us each day of our life, to live with us in our homes.

God is looking to America to save the world. The time is now as never before, to let Jesus into our lives. The time is short.

Yours,

C. C. VAN NORDEN,  
Laurel, Miss.

BR—  
OUR VISITORS

Visitors at Baptist Record office this week included the following:

Dr. W. A. Hewitt, Jackson; Rev. Montie Davis, E. Moss Point Church; Billy Watson, Clinton, Miss.; Rev. N. S. Jackson, Jackson; Rev. Hubert Herrington, Clinton; Rev. A. B. Pierce, Crystal Springs; Rev. B. E. Philips, Newhebron; Rev. W. S. Hardin, Drew; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton; J. H. Hammett, Clinton.

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PROF. W. I. THAMES

The Main Street Baptist Church in conference, desires to take note of the passing of Prof. W. I. Thames in the following manner:

WHEREAS, Prof. W. I. Thames has been called from his earthly labors to his heavenly reward by Him who works wisely all things after the counsel of His own will, and

WHEREAS, he was one of our state's most distinguished citizens, making his greatest contribution to the people of the state in the field of education, having been actively engaged in the work of teaching for more than half a century, and

WHEREAS, he was an influence for good upon the lives of thousands of boys and girls, inspiring them to their noblest endeavors and achievements, and

WHEREAS, he embodied in the fullest measure in his life the elements of truth, honor, virtue, courage and faith, by which he has given us a superb example of successful living, and

WHEREAS, he was an highly esteemed, well beloved, loyal member of this church; embodying teaching, and defending her doctrines; serving well for many years in many places of official responsibility; wise in his counsels, courageous in his leadership, loyal to his convictions and faithful to every trust committed to him, and

WHEREAS, we have found in him a demonstration of God's grace, ripening him into a good example of Christian discipleship,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Main Street Baptist Church revere his memory, emulate all that was noble in his life and seek to abound in an ever larger way in all good works in which he so graciously and bountifully shared.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be given the family, the press, and a copy spread upon the permanent records of our church.

G. M. McWilliams,  
W. H. Weathersby,  
J. A. Barnhill,  
Committee.

—BR—

ORPHANS AND FACULTY SUPPORT SOLDIER WORK

Mr. Fred Langley, Director,  
Soldier Work,  
Box 530,  
Jackson, Mississippi.

Dear Sir:  
We are enclosing our contribution of \$10, which represents an offering from the children and faculty of the Baptist Orphanage, to be used in the Soldier and Defense Project Service.

We have been privileged to have a number of the boys as our guests from Camp Shelby and Jackson Air Base from time to time, and we have thoroughly enjoyed our contact with them. I quote a paragraph from one of the boys after his visit with us: "Even though the whole world is at war, we only have to look to our Lord Jesus for strength and guidance; He is able to keep us in the circle of His love." We assure you that it was a happy privilege and pleasure for us to have a part in this work.

Wishing you much success, I am  
Fraternally yours,  
W. G. MIZE, Superintendent.



Officers of the Blue Mountain College Athletic Association, left to right: Evelyn Cockerham, Gunnison, president; Julia Lacy, Newport, Arkansas, reporter; Marian Davis, Greenville, vice-president; seated on steps: Ruth Nussbaumer, Cliffside Park, N. J., secretary-treasurer.

Miss Davis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Davis, president of the State Convention Board.

PASTOR BALDRIDGE RECONSIDERS Inverness People Help Change Pastor's Mind

Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things that happened to them and their brethren, it seemed good to me also, having had some very pleasant associations and experiences myself.

Some may recall that late in the old year this pastor served notice on the brethren through The Record that he was concluding his work here after twelve and a half years of continuous service among the best people in the world. Immediately the applications for this place began coming in. (Still coming.)

In the meantime the deacons got together and by unanimous consent recommended to the church that the pastor be asked to reconsider the matter and stay on, with a sizeable increase in salary and a bonus of \$75 for 1941. While this was under consideration the pastor's wife was taken seriously ill and rushed to Greenville Hospital for an operation (Dec. 18). While she was there (she is still there), the men's Bible class, etc., gave the pastor \$100 as a Christmas present. Then friends of other faiths brought in two fat geese for our Christmas dinner. Four-story cakes came from the four points of the compass. To cap all that off, pies—straight up and upside down—were placed on the groaning table. And to fill up the measure of goodwill, greeting cards by the hundred came pouring into our hands.

In the midst of all this good cheer (the wife was still in the hospital), one of the best of friends and the oldest sister of the pastor passed away. Was any poor preacher ever pulled by such conflicting emotions? See Phil. 4:10-12.

Will I stay here? Yea, verily.  
C. W. BALDRIDGE,  
Inverness, Miss.

AGNOSTIC JOINS NAVY, THEN CHURCH

Flier Becomes Florida Pastor

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 28—(Spl)—A poignant example of the divers experiences that are the lot of every navy man is today's event in the life of Theodore Richard Odenath, yeoman first class, of Atlantic City. He was ordained a minister in the East Hill Baptist Church in this city.

Four years ago, Odenath was an admitted agnostic. Then suddenly at San Diego, where he was stationed at the time, he saw the light and accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior. He had been listening to a series of revivals broadcast over the radio, and these set him to thinking seriously about the errors in his way of life. He went to the Baptist Church in San Diego and straightway answered the call of the minister to accept Christ.

Odenath frowns upon passive belief, and when he had drawn definite convictions he felt that his future lay in preaching. And he lost no time in preparing himself to carry this conviction to its logical conclusion.

He read all the books he could on religion, homiletics, and biblical history. At every opportunity he talked before a church group.

From San Diego Odenath went to Pearl Harbor, continuing his ecclesiastical pursuits. He left there in January, 1940, and came to the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, to do clerical work in the office of the chaplain.

At Pensacola he immediately sought a fertile field in which to plant his seeds of inspiration. He found it in the congregation of the Bethel Baptist Church in Brownsville, Florida, a suburb of Pensacola. After a few months of active work in that organization he was asked by the elders to become their pastor. He accepted with pride and gratitude.

News of the sailor-pastor flowed over into Pensacola, and Odenath went to see and get advice from men older and more experienced in his faith. Such were the Reverend Abney, pastor of the East Hill Baptist Church; the Reverend Wallace Rogers, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the Reverend Hickman, pastor of the Seventh Avenue Baptist Church.

Working in close association with Odenath and observing him, this sacerdotal triumvirate saw fit to reward his unceasing efforts and intense devotion with ordination. The ceremony was simple but impressive.

Odenath enlisted in the navy at Baltimore, Maryland, in February, 1934, and received his preliminary training at the Naval Training Station, Norfolk, Virginia.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Odenath of Atlantic City. Born in Philadelphia in 1915, he lived there during his early childhood until his parents moved to Atlantic City. He attended the Atlantic City high school for three years.

A source of constant inspiration to Odenath is his wife, the former Miss Helen Lacock of Chapel Hill, N. C. He met her in Norfolk when he was going through training. They were married in June, 1938, when he was a third class yeoman.

(Editor's Note: Reverend Abney is the father of Mrs. W. A. Frye of Pheba. Rev. Wallace Rogers was formerly pastor at Vicksburg.)

—BR—

HEIDELBERG SUNBEAM BAND

The Heidelberg Sunbeam Band closed a very successful year. At the beginning of 1941 we set as our goal the A-1 Standard; therefore, we had something to work toward. As a result we were A-1 at the close of the year. During the year the Sunbeams especially enjoyed observing the three seasons of weeks of Prayer and doing Personal Service Work. If you want to retain the interest of small children just put them on program or let them do personal service work. I challenge each church that does not have a Sunbeam Band to organize one. In Proverbs 22:6 we have these words, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

ORA V. MYRICK, Leader.

NOW IS THE TIME  
By J. E. Dillard

Now is the time for all loyal Southern Baptists to come to the help of their denomination by making a liberal, even sacrificial offering to help pay the balance of the old debts upon the boards and institutions of the Southern Baptist Convention. This embarrassing, hand-capping, back-breaking debt was more than \$6,000,000; now it is only \$2,100,000. Thanks to all who have helped.

\$2,100,000 is no small sum. It is \$781,427.23 more than all Southern Baptists combined gave through the Cooperative Program to our Southwide causes during the whole year of 1941. This large debt cannot be paid by a few people or even by a large number if they give only their small change. We must appreciate the immensity of the task and make contributions worth while.

Every loyal Baptist should help. He should help to the extent of his ability. The debt is big enough to challenge people of means to give large sums. It is big enough to challenge every church to do more than its share. It is big enough to enlist every person of small means; even the boys and girls ought to have a part in doing this big job.

The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club is a good plan. It is well known, has been tried and has worked wonders. We ought to have the full 100,000 memberships now. Let's get them. A single membership is \$1.00 a month. Any person or group may take any number of memberships. Every church should adopt a minimum goal of one Club membership for each 25 church members.

If anybody anywhere prefers to help in some other way, let him do so. But be sure to send in the cash. It is not a plan we are seeking to promote but an old debt we want to pay.

Now is the time to do it. Our denomination needs to be free of debt now; it needs the money being paid in interest now; it needs to take care of pathetic needs it has now. Other calls will soon come. We must face and minister to a bewildered, bleeding, bludgeoned world for which Christ died.

We can do it now. We have the money now; we don't know what we shall have tomorrow. Let's do our best now. February 15 is Hundred Thousand Club Day for a Debtless Denomination.

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### THE DEVIL AND THE OLD PINE KNOT

E. F. Haight

A few days ago I heard the story of the devil and an old pine knot. It is a true story. It is an old story. It is a story which ought to be true of every Christian, and never more than today.

John Smith was a young farmer in Tennessee. During the protracted meeting, one summer, John decided he would stay away from church. He was fearful of "getting religion." While the meeting was in progress, he was in his field one day standing in a corner of the old rail fence. He had been troubled about his life and the God he knew he had wronged. He could go on no longer without God. He made the great decision and the even greater committal of faith to Christ. When he arose from his knees, he looked down at the ground in the fence corner and discovered that already this had become a hallowed place. He purposed to fix the sacredness of the spot by a permanent monument. He put up an old pine knot to mark the spot where he met the Master face to face. And so the pine knot marked his Bethel and became his Ebenezer.

Many times thereafter when John was tempted to sin, he would imagine that the devil was standing beside him. Whereupon he would say to him something like this: "Old devil, you want me to sin and deny my Lord and hurt God, don't you? Well, I'm not going to do it. I'll show you why. Come on out in the field and you will see." So John would take the devil down to the corner of the fence and point to the old pine knot. "There," he would say, "there is where I committed myself to Christ and He became real to me as my Saviour and Lord. No, I cannot, I will not deny Him." And when he looked around the devil was gone, for he had fled away from the old pine knot.

The old pine knot had become the symbol of an experience with God—a vital, real, and life-transforming experience. It stood for a divine transaction whereby the Saviour had become positioned in a human life. It called attention to an unimpeachable fact. Here is the old pine knot and here is the experience with God. One is no less real than the other. Both are invincible realities.

The only thing the devil can do about the old pine knot is to keep away from it. The only thing Christians need do when they are tempted by the devil is to stay immovably by it.

Many are the symbols of the fact of an experience with the living God. Jacob and the stone pillar at Bethel, Joshua and the stones erected as an Ebenezer near Jordan, Paul and the Damascus Road, Lydia and the river bank near Philippi, Augustine and the garden in Milan, John Wesley and Aldersgate Mission—all these and innumerable others have and do declare that God is a living reality in the lives of men.

Only a few days ago I learned of a modern American factory which had become the symbol of an experience with God for a soldier boy whom I chanced to meet on a railroad train. The young man—clear-eyed, erect, kindly of face, every inch a man—sat in front of me, journeying westward to an undisclosed destination. He was friendly and easy to talk with. By common consent and mutual inclination our conversation moved Christward. Presently he told me about the machine shop where he was working when drafted. There, in a factory operated by a great Christian layman, he had come to know Christ as the Lord of his whole life. Obviously the shop had become his Ebenezer; there he had put up his "pine knot." Often, he said, he had thought of his experience with God which had begun in the shop when he was tempted and tried in the several army camps and here and there where he had lived as a soldier. More than this, he was deeply concerned that he might be enabled of God to make so plain and convincing a demonstration of the loveliness and power of his Saviour that he would lead others to share his experience of faith. The "pine knot" had become both a defense against the devil and a base of offensive spiritual operations for God among his fellow-soldiers.

In today's world, each of us—soldiers and civilians alike—needs the "pine knot" and, even more, the undeniable fact of a present experience with the living God.

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Dear Folks at Home:

The first thing we want to say is "MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY, SUCCESSFUL AND USEFUL NEW YEAR." Christmas in the summer seems less strange to us now that this is the third one. Our mission family here in Santiago consists of five adults and three children, and we hope to spend the morning of that day together. The afternoon will be used for baptisms as that is the custom.

The Seminary classes closed two weeks ago with the first graduate. Like a couple with their first baby we are very proud of him. The school year was exceptionally good. In addition to the regular classes we had night classes twice each week for two hours. Among the teachers were Ora teaching Old Testament and me teaching Evangelism.

Last week was revival time in the church where we work. Perhaps you would be interested to attend one of the services. At seven several of the members meet with the string band for street preaching. Then at 8 a procession is formed with the band leading, that marches to the chapel. Because of the small space in the chapel the open air is used. The church yard soon fills to overflowing. After a song and prayer service of about 30 minutes the preacher begins his message. While he speaks, let us look at the crowd. Some are well dressed and intelligent in appearance. Others appear to have lost all self-respect and respect for others as well. They are seeking a peace that they have never found. Others come to mock.

But one of the most impressive things in the group is the children. A large section set aside especially for them is inadequate. Most of them come without parents or anyone who cares. It would make your heart ache to see them: undernourished, unwashed, and noisy with their eyes taking in every word and movement. They listen to the sermon with an attention that is surprising. In these undernourished, uncared for children lies the future of Chile. There are thousands just like them. If we can plant the gospel in their hearts now, it may help to transform the nation of tomorrow. We have seen men here who had been of the scum of the earth. They had found Christ and had been transformed spiritually, morally and physically. They have cleaned up, bought better clothes, fixed up their homes better and are making a greater effort to educate their children. As we seek the salvation of man's immortal soul we seek also to lift up him to a higher level morally and physically.

After the regular service we have a movie of about 20 minutes on the life of Christ.

This week is busy with a study course for the women of the Santiago churches. We try to pack as much as possible in each night. There is a devotional after which Mrs. McConnell takes on the DVBS. There follows a cup of tea and a piece for bread, for many come from work without supper. There are two classes. We finish by 9:30, for many come seven miles or more on buses.

All houses have flags at half mast this week because of the death of the president of Chile. Some people are sorry and some are glad, depending upon their political affiliation.

Crissa and Ray are now playing with four children—two Chileans and two German-Jew refugee children. Again let us say "Merry Christmas and God bless you all." Please write us. The postage is three cents, not five. And do NOT neglect the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions, because this offering makes possible much new work and you carry the message in this offering to the ends of the earth.

Yours in Christ,  
REV. and MRS. L. D. WOOD.

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"WITHOUT—"

Without the glory of God's new birth  
Man's greatest joy is known here on earth.  
Without the faith of a little child small  
Man would never see Heaven at all.  
Without discontent of earth's vain store  
Man cannot hope for anything more.  
Without life of vision sought from above  
Man has no sight of the miracle of love.  
Without the strain and pain of tests  
Man would never be seen of his best.  
Without Paul's repentance in sorrow and tears  
His name would not have come down through the years.

Without the suffering of Christ on the Cross  
All humanity would be but loss.

FANNIE JACKS,  
Greenwood, Miss.

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1 IS BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE SUNDAY

To the Members of Baptist Churches Throughout the World:

Once more, dear brothers and sisters in Christ, we call our fellow-Baptists in every land to observe Baptist World Alliance Sunday as a day of united thanksgiving, prayer and testimony.

We are writing several months beforehand. It is quite impossible to picture the conditions that will obtain on the first Sunday of February 1942. Of this, however, we are certain: Nothing can happen to make it less right and necessary than in former years that we should together wait on the Lord. In a time of widespread war and suffering, when the powers of evil furiously rage, when men's hearts are torn by doubt and fear, we must needs turn with intense longing to Him in Whom alone is our peace.

Let us make the day of common worship an occasion of humble approach to our Heavenly Father, searching our hearts before Him. We would know our own share in the blame and guilt of the world calamity. Have we nourished in ourselves the evil passions that flourish throughout the earth? Have we failed to testify against falsehood, injustice and greed? Have we withheld our witness for the Lord of goodness and love and peace? Are our minds even now open to the lessons which through the terrific events of these years the God of righteousness and judgment is seeking to bring home to all?

Whatever failures and sinful weakness we are constrained to acknowledge, it is meet and right that we come together to offer devout thanks and praise. Our God is the Holy One, forever gracious and merciful, and His purpose stands changeless as His own Being. Clouds may obscure the vision of Him, but the clouds are earth-born. The radiance of His truth and love shall yet disperse our terrestrial darkness. We will rejoice in Him while we await the clear shining; for we know that He has not failed nor forsaken. The darkness hideth not from Him. "The best of all is, God is with us."

Therefore we shall pray, and pray with confident assurance of faith. "He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him for us all, how shall He not also with Him freely giving us all things?" We shall seek for cleansed vision that we may read aright the signs of our time, and for courage and wisdom that we may meet its demands. The world has to be refashioned after the pattern we have seen in the mount. We shall seek for all the churches a deeper loyalty to Him who is the truth as well as the Way and the Life, and a more sensitive response to the guidance of His Holy Spirit. Let us be earnest in prayer that, in spite of all that wars against it, the will of God may be done on earth as in heaven—even when it triumphs at our cost. "All things" for ourselves, for the churches, and for the whole world, "are possible with God"; but none but He can so overrule the confused strivings of men as to bring to birth a new order in which justice and love shall meet together, and men shall learn war no more.

The year 1942 should be a great year. Love of the brethren stands firm; we thank God that by His grace war has not diminished it, much less destroyed it. British Baptists are celebrating the 150th anniversary of a historic event—the founding among them of the earliest Baptist foreign mission society in the year 1792. That was a year of war and confusion; but precisely then God brought a new and glorious thing to pass. Surely it is conceivable that amid the turmoil and distress of a vaster war He may bring to birth something yet more splendid, making the wrath of man again to praise Him. Still our Lord's commission stands: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," and still we hear the word of matchless encouragement: "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." May not a praying and obedient people, sustained by such a Divine word, look for "a year of the right hand of the Most High!"

Shall not our motto be taken from the immortal sermon of Carey which a century and a half ago brought the Baptist Missionary Society into being: "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God?"

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### MINISTERS CAN GET TIRES

Washington, Jan. 18—(AP)—The Office of Price Administration said today that tire rationing restrictions would be relaxed to permit ministers of all denominations to buy new tires and tubes.

"Clergymen in many communities, particularly where the population is scattered, are compelled to depend upon their cars to reach the bedside of the sick or dying, or to conduct services that are essential to the spiritual welfare of the public," Price Administrator Leon Henderson explained.

(Editor's Note—Every Baptist pastor in Mississippi should write their senators and congressmen concerning this important matter.)